Senior Tories stunned by swift announcement after four otes deny prime minister victory

Wounded Thatcher fights second round

By ROBIN OAKLEY, POLITICAL EDITOR

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swiftly to the prime minister's

support. Mr Hurd, who is with her at the Conference on

Security and Co-operation in

Europe, said: "The prime

minister continues to have my full support. I am sorry that this destructive and un-

necessary contest should be

been confirmed as leader with-

was in sight.
The close result was one

that Tory MPs had dreaded

has survived the first round,"

but failed to attract the sup-

on the first round, but would

Mr Heseltine, having won

By continuing with the strug-

into a second round.

prolonged in this way."

Market reaction

MARGARET Thatcher last night lived up to her promise to go on fighting when she announced that she would contest the second round of the Tory leadership contest, hav-ing failed by just four votes to beat Michael Heseltine in a single

Her immediate declaration on hearing that she had polled 204 votes to Mr Heseltine's 152 stunned the party. Senior ministers had urged her to pause and consult before making any announcement.

Mrs Thatcher needed a minimum of 187 votes plus a margin of 56 over Mr Heseltine to prevent the contest going to a second round. Although she was technically close to achieving that the result must badly damage her. She was denied the support of more than 100 MPs on top of those who had not backed her against the stalking horse Sir Anthony Meyer last year. Sixteen MPs abstained.

Standing on the steps of the British embassy in Paris, Mrs Thatcher declared: "I confirm my intention to let my name go forward for the second ballot." She has thus preempted her cabinet colleagues who would have expected her to step down in such circumstances. She has left their supporters shocked and the party stunned. Mrs Thatcher even surprised some of her campaign team who expected her tosleep on any decision.

Arms treaty suspicions

American arms experts have cancelled a trip to Moscow amid suspicions thanks new Soviet figures on European tanks and artillers

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The cancellation comes only a day after the signing of Labour party. Mrs Thatcher one thing: the motion of no the Conventional Arms in

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Sir Peter Hall, 60 tomorrow, promises that he will continue "whingeing, complaining and carrying on" about government subsidies for the

Sentence attack

A magistrate was strongly criticised yesterday after deciding not to send a man to jail when he was convicted of drinking and driving for the twelfth time. The man had already been banned from driving for 30 years.....Page 4

Vicar accused

A country vicar had a 10-year affair with one of his married parishioners and when that another woman who sought his help, a Church of England consistory court in Chichester Page 5

Lending fall

Bank lending in the UK fell to £4.6 billion from £7.5 billion in September, according to Bank of England statistics, providing further evidence that the economy is slowing

Aliysa verdict

The Aga Khan's Aliysa, win-mer of the 1989 Oaks, was disqualified by the Jockey Club's disciplinary committee, which found her trainer, Michael Stoute, in breach of the rules of racing after the filly failed a drug text Page 46

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gle, she risks handing the ON OTHER PAGES leadership to a man she has condemned as backing Labour Two pages of policies and jeopardising all reports and analysis . . . 2, 3 that she stands for.

Mr Heseltine said that he was "overwhelmed with gratitude to my parliamentary colleagues who in such large measure have given me their support". He said that he had been supported by almost all those who had given him firm pledges by yesterday morning.

The prime minister's immediate reaction stunned her party and left potential leader-ship canidates within the cabinet with the terrible dilemma of whether to break ranks and challenge her. Mr Hurd, seen by many as the most credible cabinet unity challenger to Mr Heseltine has ruled out entering a contest in which Mrs. Thatcher is a candidate.

Friends of John Major, the Chancellor, had been con-fidently expecting him, too, to enter the second round. But as the man who proposed Mrs Thatcher for the contest he, too, is effectively ruled out.

The party will now be in turmoil until the second round of the contest next Tuesday. Candidates have to declare themselves by lunchtime tomorrow. Senior Tories will be in deep huddles over the next 24 hours as they consider whether they should encourage another challenger who could stand a better

chance of beating Mr Hesel-tine in a third round two days after the next contest. Mr Heseltine has gained as Mrs Thatcher did in 1975 Cecil Parkinson and Ken-neth Clarke both emphasised that Mrs Thatcher would have from being the first into the field against the existing party leader and his challenge will now be taken very seriously. It out any further contest if only two more MPs had voted for her rather than Mr Heseltine. But MPs at all levels of the party were saying that Mrs Thatcher had been fatally damaged and that the end of her reign as leader of the party was in sight.

moon per 1 Mr Heseltine were to become party leader. Conservative MPs were and one that will delight the delighted last night by only tabled by Neil Kinnock for port of 168 of the party's 372 carly debate this week. Noth-MPs. Her campaign team was ing could be more guaranteed warned by some MPs that to pull together the ranks of they were prepared to back her the disunited Conservatives. Immediately after the result

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to victory at the next election. cents. Continued on page 24, cel 2





Fighting on: Mr Heseltine and Mrs Thatcher yesterday, candidates in what Mr Hurd described as "this destructive and numecessary contest"

Limelight-stealers spoil the challenger's day

BY ALAN HAMILTON

THE challenger's efforts to make his fixed smile available to every chance camera on politing day were almost hijacked twise during a gruelling day of photo-opportunities yesterday. At his home in Belgravia, Mr

Heseltine was preparing to sally forth for his first engagement of the day, a se for the massed lenses crowding his doorstep, when there was a sudden diversion. Norman Tebbit, who lives a few doors away, cruised by in his car and saw a chance for mischief. The Tebbit car kerb-crawled, and he got out. Had the tide turned to Heseltine? the media chorused. "Funnily enough, it has turned off him again. I think it is significant The Times has come out firmly for Mrs Thatcher. I

think that's an important factor." Moments after he had got back into his car, the door opened and Mr and Mrs Heseltine emerged. They kissed each other goodbye. "Has my friend Norman been here?" asked Mr Heseltine suspiciously. It was the sum

total of his pronouncement before his chauffeur-driven Jaguar whisked him to his Victoria Street office balf a mile away. Outsider another paggle of media awaited, only to be diverted by Dennis Skinner, MP for Bolsover, strolling up the street.

Mr Skinner divulged that he had taken an exit poll at 11, one hour after Thatcher, one for Heseltine, and three refused to tell him. "What we've got here," said Mr Skinner, warming to his theme, "is a contest between two peroxide blondes, both millionaires. One has sixty million, the other ten million - or at least her husband does. And they're both into kinky costumes. They wear flak jackets, and she got dressed up as Elizabeth I the other night. It hasn't got much to do with

the people I represent in Bolsover." With Mr Skinner safely on his way, Mr Heseltine appeared, saying little. He had to walk just 10 yards to his car, but almost disappeared into a maul of photographers.

Dinner at Versailles or the Last Supper?

From MICHAEL BINYON IN PARIS

IT WAS a ticklish piece of diplomatic protocol. Were Mrs Thatcher's European summit colleagues, admirers and old spairing partners allowed to wish her luck? Was it enquetic? Was it domestic interference? Evidently many did, though British sources

refused to say who. Surely at least President Gorbachev, the man who more than anyone brings a glint to her eye? Perhaps. They both held their tète-à-tête, -- "a very good meeting" -blithely affecting nonchanlance about domestic cares. "They both have iron in their backbone," was the gruff official comment.

But there was no nonchalance over Mrs Thatcher's fate among the fellow summitteers. They looked on yesterday as though watching a Greek tragedy, awaiting the catharsis. The prime minister knew, and could not resist a little British understatement, for which we are all so celebrated in France. "I might be a little late," she told President Mitterrand.

apologising in advance if she was not in her seat when the curtain went up on the first Tchaikovsky pas de deux.

The approaching dinner at Versailles grew to resemble the Last Supper. Mrs Thatcher fixed up a frenzy of appointments to keep herself busy: sessions with the Russians, President Mitterrand, Turgut Ozal of Lubbers of The Netherlands.

But her "distractions" at home were all anyone in Paris wanted to know about. Journalists were already setting up camp ontside the British Embass long before the fateful hour. Ameri cans were searching out dusty descriptions of the departure of Churchill from the middle of the Potsdam conference, never to return. Japanese were trying to pronounce Heseltine.

History has been on everyone's mind at the European security summit. Many spent two days wondering if they were witnessing the end of an era and a pheaomenon known as Thatcherism.

BR faces court on Clapham safety

cuted for alleged breaches of the 1974 Health and Safety at Work Act, leading to the triple train crash at Clapham Junotion in December 1988 in which 35 people died, the transport department announced yesterday.

BR has been summonsed to appear before the South-West-ern magistrates court in Battersea, south London, on January 7, to face criminal charges of failing to ensure the safety of its employees, and putting passengers at risk. It is understood the Railway

Inspectorate will ask magistrates to send the case to the crown court, where British Rail faces the prospect of an unlimited fine if found guilty. The Clapham disaster occ-

urred when the Poole to Waterloo express ran into the back of the Basingstoke to Waterloo train which had stopped because of a faulty signal. A third train then crashed into the wreckage.

The inquiry into the causes of the crash, conducted by Sir Anthony Hidden, QC, identified faulty wiring as the pri-mary cause of the disaster. It also highlighted a series of shortcomings in British Rail, including poor supervision and ineffective management, which allowed the wiring error to pass unnoticed.

Allan Green, QC, the Director of Public Prosecutions decided there was insufficient evidence to bring any charges against individual employees for negligence or to prosecute British Rail for corporate manslaughter. However, the inquest on the 35 deaths decided the victims were unlawfully killed. Last night British Rail was unable to

BRITISH Rail is to be prose- disclose how it intended to plead. British Rail could offer the defence that it was "impracticable" to do any more than it had to improve John Prescott, Labour's

transport spokesman, said: "We absolutely welcome the decision to further the inquest verdict of unlawful killing by taking British Rail to court." Relatives of the Clapham victims last night gave a cautious welcome. Timothy Newman, aged 14, from Poole, Dorset, whose father was killed in the disaster, said: "My family have welcomed the decision but are still not hopeful that it will be a

Julian Dalrymple, aged 50, from Southampton, who lost his son in the crash, said: "We have waited two long years for this. At last somebody may be held responsible for the death

few days.

Bush near agreement on force against Iraq

From Michael Evans in Paris

THE United States is now to abstain. closer to winning enough world support for a new UN resolution, authorising the use of force against the Iraqis in Kawait. In spite of continuing reservations, the Soviet Union is expected to back

Washington.

However, it seems unlikely that President Bush will be able to leave for Saudi Arabia tomorrow to visit American Forces with the wording of a new resolution in his pocket.
In separate talks with President Gorbachev, both Presi-dent Bush and Margaret Thatcher received a strong

impression that, given time, the Soviet leader would vote in favour of force at the UN Security Council Moscow has already made it clear that it will not veto such a resolution. Washington does

Petrol prices down tomorrow

By KEVIN EASON, MOTORING CORRESPONDENT

PETROL prices will fall to- the start of October. Four-star allowed confidence over sup-

morrow to their lowest level petrol will be 208.7p (45.9p a plies to seep back into world

since the invasion of Kuwait, litre) at Shell filling stations, markets and bulk prices on the with the third reduction at the with unleaded at 195p a gallon main Rotterdam exchange

pumps in eight days. Shell, (42.9p a liure) and diesel have fallen steadily in the last few weeks.

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The cost of Shell four-star is

Shell's retail division, said:

This latest production brings.

start of business, signalling a prices spiralling upwards on our petrol price close to where

new round of intense price fears over oil supplies. Shell they were before the Gulf competition. Other petrol was charging 207.7p for four-crisis began." The Automobile

companies are expected to star at the end of July. Within Association said: "At the start

follow Shell's lead in the next five days of the August 2 of the conflict the signs were

Prices at the pump have up to a record 214p.

now dropped 31p from Shell's The three-month lull in the which is good news for motor-

239.6p a gallon record price at Middle East has, however, ists and businesses alike."

invasion, prices were forced

2,800 filling stations from the confrontation in the Gulf sent

ington is anxious to keep the Security Council resolution,"
Russians on board. one British official said.

an admission that it could not make up its mind. President Bush and Presi-

dent Gorbachev are to hold a summit in Moscow early next year, although there was no indication that this was to be Gulf-oriented. In public, the Moscow line continues to be that more effort was still needed to try and resolve the Gulf showdown peacefully. However, after an hour with

the Soviet leader yesterday, Mrs Thatcher's officials described the possibility of Moscow support for a new not want the Soviet Union to resolution as hopeful. "Mr take the next option, which is Gorbachev said he wanted

"This latest reduction brings

they were before the Gulf

very ominous indeed for

prices. But things are easing,

b abstain. further consultations and dis-Having received Soviet cussions at the UN, after the backing on every other UN Prime Minister told him she resolution on the Gulf, Wash-hoped be could support a new hoped he could support a new

Even Moscow does not really favour the alternative of need to operate through the UN on the Gulf. But the Soviets wat to make their own statement in their own time. We have to have in mind the Chinese, too."
Washington and London

handle the Soviet reservations with care and patience. But that did not prevent the Americans and British from conducting a series of high-pressure salesmanship forays to win backing for a new UN On the second day of the 34-

nation summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Enrope (CSCE), the Gulf pushed the uropean agenda to one side. During a closed session in the afternoon, the leaders talked of issuing a joint

declaration on the Gulf.

James Baker, the US Secretary of State, met Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, twice. He is understood to have emphasised on both occasions that a new UN move was now needed to get the message across to President Saddam Hussein that he faced the certainty of war unless he

withdrew his troops from Kuwait. The Baghdad announcement that another 250,000 troops were to be sent to Kuwait was being cited by Continued on Page 24, col 6

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GQ. The men's magazine with an LQ. December issue out now.

Man with 12 drink-driving convictions walks free

By QUENTIN COWDRY, HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

MAGISTRATES were strongly criticised yesterday after deciding not to send a man to jail when he was convicted of drinking and driving for the twelfth time.

Jeremy Smith, aged 27, admitted driving while over the legal alcohol limit, driving while disqualified and taking a vehicle without the owner's consent. He had already been banned from driving for 30 years in November 1989, and magistrates at Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire, gave Smith a four month jail term suspended for 18 months and disqualified him from driving for a further three years.

John Inglesant, chairman of the bench, told Smith that he should not consider that he was being let off as suspended sentences could easily be activated. Last night, however, MPs, voluntary groups and police organisations said that the sentence was too lenient.

lan Welch, for the prosecution, had told the court that Smith, who was allowed to write down his sent address, was stopped in Melton Mowbray on October 5 in a car taken from outside a house in Grantham. He had 61 microgrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of breath. The legal limit is 35 microgrammes.

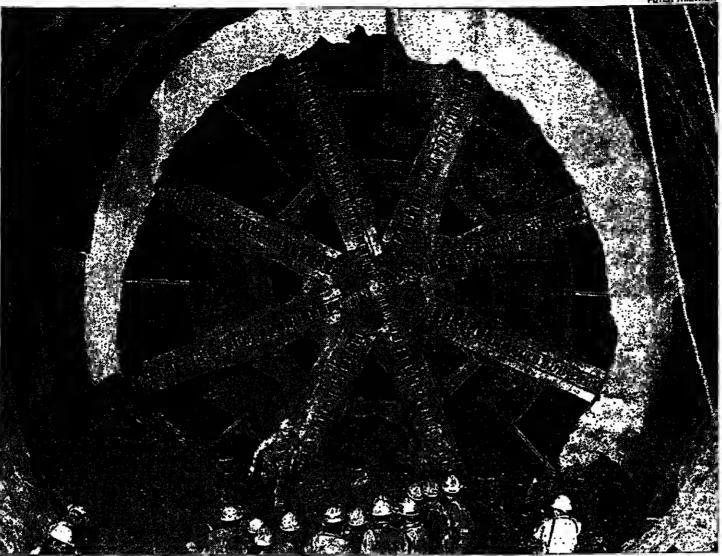
Oliver D'Sa, defending, said that Smith was a pest with a deplorable record who had not cut back on his drinking, but told magistrates: "I urge you not to yield to the temptation to use prison as a social dustbin to tuck him away out of sight and out of mind." Smith was a sick and lonely man who suffered from the twin vices of alcohol and cars.

A Police Federation spokesman said: "This is a case where the punishment does not fit the crime, If he is not going to prison then he should have received a heavy

Derek Rutherford, of the Institute of Alcohol Studies, also condemned the decision. He said that a prison term would have helped to protect the public from Smith for a while, and given him a chance to dry out. "It is time that society stopped colluding with this man in his dependence. He needs a shock, and prison might well have been the answer."

Greville Janner, QC, Labour MP for Leicester West, described the sentence as blinding stupidity. He said: "I would have sent him to prison, not merely because it was necessary in his case, but as a warning to others that drinkdrivers are a fearsome menace."

Alcohol Concern, however, emphasised the need for recalcitrant drink-drivers to be encouraged to cure their illness. Eric Appleby, director of the group, said: "This chap is plainly a menace to society, but sticking him in jail is not necessarily going to help." The government should extend the scheme under which drivers found to be more than 250 per cent over the limit or convicted twice for drink-driving within ten years have to be cleared by a doctor before being allowed to have their licence back, he said.



Opening time: workers watch another Channel tunnel milestone yesterday as the last of three underground sections between the Kent coast at Dover

and the terminal site near Folkestone breaks through. The £8.5 million boring machine excavated an average of 160 metres removed more than 800,000 cubic metres of spail. It will now be dismantled and either sold or scrapped. The breakthrough. after a year of round-the-clock

tunnelling, was a mouth shead of schedule and was described by Mr Colin Kirkland, Eurotunnel

technical director, as a "tremendous achievement".

Bar's new chief urges reforms

selecting judges to identify more women candidates and those from ethnic minorities were called for yesterday by Anthony Scrivener QC, the chairman-elect of the Bar. Mr Scrivener, aged 55, who takes up the post on January 1,

said he had bee depressed to hear the Lord Chancellor say that there was a shortage of suitable women for judicial appointment. "In my experience there are a number of extremely able women advocates who would make ideal judges," he

He favoured solicitors becoming judges. "There is no reason why a solicitor with proper training cannot be a good judge, going through the usual route of assistant recorder, recorder, crown

REFORMS to the system for court to High Court." His views to spot the people with ability. It on the need for reform mean that the Lord Chancellor will face a united front of both branches of the legal professsion over the need for a review of the judicial

> Tony Holland, president of the Law Society, has called for such a review and yesterday Mr Scrivener backed a number of his views. Mr Scrivener wants a better system for identifying candidates and a wider system of taking

> soundings within the Bar.
> He said: "There is no point in promoting people before their time; it just damages the group they represent, Quality must remain the predominant criterion. The question is, whether the Lord Chancellor's Department is able

Mr Scrivener intends, however, to make his top priority for 1991 access to justice and legal aid. "I believe we will have to fight to maintain the principle that a person on legal aid has access to the best barristers, in the same way as those who are well off." He will fight to see that solicitor-advocates are subject to the cab-rank rule, so that they cannot refuse legal aid cases on cost grounds.

must be hit and miss."

Mr Scrivener's biggest impact is likely to be on the Bar's image. Non-Oxbridge, unstuffy, from a family of Kent shopkeepers and educated at a direct-grant school, he says he is typical of the majority of the Bar, who contrary to public image, were non-élite.

Patten seeks agreement on endangered species

By MICHAEL McCARTHY, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

A GLOBAL agreement to save the out of the total number, estimated world's endangered species, which may run into many millions, should be drawn up in the next 18 months, Chris Patten, the environment secretary, said last night. He also announced that Britain would host a seminar to discuss the issue early next year.

Predictions that up to a third of the world's species of animals, plants and insects may be extinct by 2025 could not be dismissed. Mr Patten said, giving the Natural Environment Research Council's annual lecture in London. "We are squandering this treasure house at a deeply disturbing rate."

It was absurd to pretend that every single species could be saved · Nairobi.

at between five million and 50 million, and efforts might be better directed at saving whole ecosystems such as forests.

Mr Patten, who also announced that the British contribution to the budget of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) was to go up from £3 million to £4 million next year, said the government wanted to see an agreement on species conservation, or biodiversity, ready for signature by the time of the UN conference on environment and development in Brazil in June 1992. Negotiations begin this week at the UNEP headquarters in

NHS unions seek £20 rise for workers

Health service unions yesterday launched a campaign to achieve a £20 weekly pay rise for 180,000 ancillary workers, who carn as little as £101 for a 39-hour week

(Tim Jones writes).

Although most of the kitchen assistants, domestic assistants, cleaners and porters are part-time workers, the average weekly wage for a full-time male ancillary worker is about £175 a week Despite their pressure on health service negotiators, it is unlikely that the unions will schieve anything near £20 all round.

The campaign is tied to a ten-point hospital "workers' charter" demanding greater health care-funding, independent arbitration on disputes and improvements in training and working conditions. Roger Poole, chief negotiator for the National Union of Public Employees, said the government was paying poverty wages.

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Drug plea stands

Patricia Cahill, aged 17, of Birmingham, who is accused of attempted heroin trafficking, told the juvenile court in Bangkok yesterday that she would continue to plead not guilty. Her lawyer said she had "agonised" for a week about the plea but would not change it as she had done nothing wrong, Another Birmingham girl Karen Smith, aged 19, has pleaded guilty to similar charges. The next hearing of the case will be on December 7.

Air bomb detector

Colour x-ray machines which can detect explosives in baggage were not widely available at the time of the Lockerbie bombing, an expert told the enquiry into the air disaster yesterday. Richard Doney, of the Department of Transport, told the Dumfries hearing that the first machine used in the UK was installed at Belfast airport one month before the Pan Am bomb.

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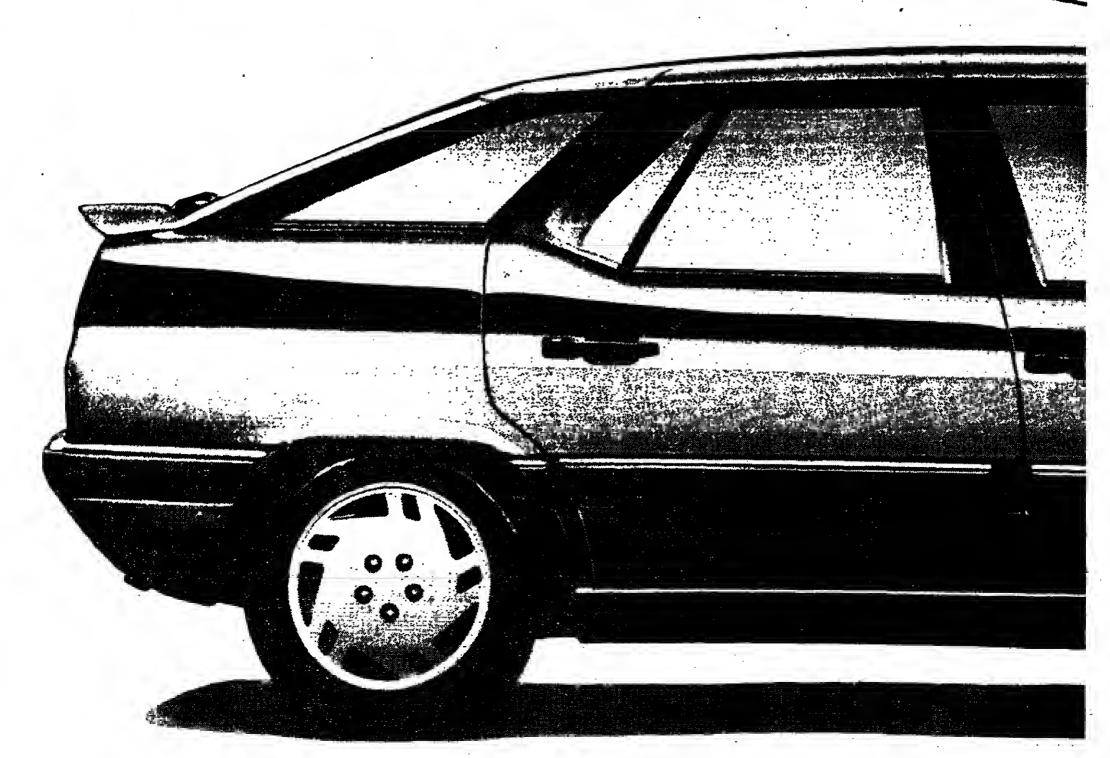
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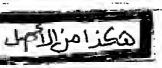
Case delayed

The High Court case in which Westminster council seeks to overturn a clause in the lease of an estate from the Duke of Westminster's Grosvenor Estate limiting the occupation of flats to "the working classes" was squeezed out of yesterday's lists at the Royal Courts of Justice by other business. It will now be heard by Mr Justice Harman in the Chancery division, starting today.

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Europe and poll tax turn loyalists to open rebellion

By SHEILA GUNN, POLITICAL REPORTER

MARGARET Thatcher's ob- port from her Derbyshire tion speech last week. John and Emma Nicholson, who had both worked closely with the prime minister. They said their decisions to withdraw support were made with regret and they emphasised their admiration for Mrs Thatcher's achievements.

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Some non-aligned MPs swung away from Mrs Thatcher after discovering at the weekend that support for her in their constituencies was not in their constituencies was not as solid as previously reported. They found a common loyalty to Mrs Thatcher. She thread running through com-ments by local activists: respect for what Mrs Thatcher had done and a wish to see her "go gracefully", coupled with a belief that the party needed a new leader before the next general election.

BBC Radio 4's The World This Weekend: "I think she (Mrs Thatcher) has been wrong on one or two issues

duracy to closer European South constituency associ- Lee, the former tourism minunity and the unpopularity of ation for Mrs Thatcher, Mrs ister and MP for Pendle, said: the poll tax caused the defec- Currie complained that the tion of a small band of former prime minister had become prime minister's apparent imloyalists. Two of the most surprising were Edwina Currie and Emma Nicholson, who had been also urged Mrs Thatcher to the vanguard eather than the bad been also urged Mrs Thatcher to

> to disclose yesterday whether she had voted for Michael Heseltine or abstained.

Miss Nicholson, MP for Devon West and Torridge and a former vice-chairman of the party, said she had changed voted for Michael Heseltine.

Although dismayed at the effects of the poll tax on some low-income, modestly housed constituents, she also cited Mrs Thatcher's attitude to the EC for her defection. "Michael Heseltine offers n vision, so does Douglas Hurd," she said. Mrs Currie, the former does Douglas Hurd," she said, health minister, admitted on About three-quarters of the constituents she had asked said it was time for a change.
Comments by other defec-

tors indicated the impact of lately." In spite of firm sup- Sir Geoffrey Howe's resigna-

"I have been saddened by the also urged Mrs I natures consider carefully her international reputation before marginal northern seat, he said the "political disaster" of the political disaster" of the political disaster of the political disaster of the political disaster.

The political future of MPs who openly deserted Mrs Thatcher looks bleak. Not only can they expect no favours from their leader but many will also face a hard time in their constituencies. The group is split into MPs

who came out for Michael Heseltine and those who merely suggested it was "time for a change" without revealing their voting intentions. Party managers will need to exercise some care not to conduct too intensive a witchbunt against the "traitors" for fear of building up a constantly rebellious faction on the back benches. "Heselteenies" with south-

ern and Home Counties constituencies expect a rougher ride from their local activists than colleagues in northern seats, where anti-Thatcher feeling is running stronger. Michael Mates, MP for East Hampshire, Sir Neil Macfarlane, MP for Sutton and Cheam, and Cyril Townsend, MP for Bexleyheath, have upset their constituency workers by opting for the former defence secretary.

Most of the "Heselteenies" have already endured years of being passed over for ministerial office or have been dismissed and so have little or nothing to lose.

Their official leader must be Michael "Colonel" Mates, who helped Willie Whitelaw in the second ballot of his leadership campaign in 1975, and led the Commons rebeltion on the poll tax.

The other key political ex-iles will be Keith Hampson, former parliamentary private secretary to Michael Heseltine, and Tony Nelson, MP for Chicester, Some of the "Thatcher must go" group, such as David Mudd, Sir Dennis Walters and last year's challenger, Sir Anthony Meyer, have announced they do not intend to fight the next election

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In the eye of the storm: Three key figures in the leadership contest arriving at the Palace of Westminster yesterday to cast their votes: (from left), Norma Tebbit , former party chairman, Edward Heath, former prime minister, and Nigel Lawson, former chancellor

Cabinet places at risk if there is a new Tory leader

By RICHARD FORD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

moved from the trade and

industry department as his

robust non-interventionist

views contrast strongly with

Several MPs would expect

Mr Heseltine's more inter-

Mr Heseltine to invite Sir

Geoffrey Howe to return to

high office, especially as it was

his resignation speech that

finally prompted the leader-

ship challenge. The bitterness

the speech has caused among

some of Mrs Thatcher's

supporters could however

make Sir Geoffrey's return to

office a controversial decision.

. Although Michael Mates and Keith Hampson have

played important roles in Mr

Heseltine's leadership cam-

paign, it is thought unlikely

that he would reward them

with a seat in the cabinet.

Neither has ever held minist-

erial office and MPs believe

Mr Heseltine would offer them

One prospect is almost cer-

tainly ruled out in the event of

Mr Heseltine becoming prime minister -- that he would offer

ject any offer he made to her.

only junior ministerial jobs.

supporters are unlikely to remain around the cabinet table under any other prime Michael Heseltine has in-

dicated that he will not undertake major surgery at the top of the government if he becomes leader. After the inevitable divisions caused by the contest, his first task would be to restore party unity. Douglas Hurd and John Major would remain, as Mr Heseltine has a high regard for the chancellor and has suggested that there is little difference on Europe between him and the foreign secretary.

However, MPs suspect that Cecil Parkinson, the transport secretary, Peter Lilley, trade secretary, and Michael Howard, employment secretary, could be at risk. Chris Patten could be shifted from the environment department after his criticism of Mr Heseltine's

pledge to review the poll tax. Mr Parkinson's long and close association with the prime minister could well put his cabinet place in jeopardy. There is also a feeling that his performance as transport sec- a cabinet job to his prederetary has been uninspiring and that be is nearing the end of his ministerial career.

Even if Mr Lilley remained

cessor: aod. given Mrs Thatcher's antipathy towards him, she would probably re-Neil Kinnock arriving at the Commons yesterday

and counts its ammunition LABOUR'S public response Conservatives a boost in the with her cabinet," the official to the Tory leadership battle opinion polls. Understandably, there is a has been to affect a lofty SEVERAL strong Thatcher in a Heseltine cabinet. Tory MPs believe that be would be

disinterest in the outcome. about the situation as Labour Behind this is an awareness officials count the political

that Labour's task at the next ammunition handed to them general election could be by Michael Heselune's challmade much easier if the fight enge and look forward to a were against a badly-wounded Mrs Thatcher rather than a new leader who could give the from Labour, however, is that the Conservatives are now

> di visions. The solits within the Tory party over such issues as Europe, education and the community charge are clear for all to see, Labour says. "In the months to come, whoever emerges as leader has the divisions hung round their will be leading a divided

That is why Labour dismisses opinioo potls which suggest that, under Mr Hesel-tine, a Labour lead of 10 per cent could be turned into a Tory lead of 4 per cent, at least in the short term. Under Mr Heselune, they believe there emerged again.

Labour affects disinterest

second round. The official line

damaged and divided ir-

retrievably and that no leader

will be able to heal these

together for very long before he found the same problems that Mrs Thatcher has had Heseltine as Tory leader.

said. Neil Kinnock shrugs off the leadership contest, and feeling of Schadenfreude says that the outcome makes no difference to him.

He was quuted earlier this week in Der Spiegel, a German newspaper, as saying: "I see two removal vans. One for Mrs Thatcher and one for ber successor I believe that Mrs Thatcher will go in a few weeks, one way or another. But, whoever her successor is,

we will win the next election. Party officials point out that as long ago as last March, after Labour's victory in the the Mid Staffordshire by-election, Mr Kinnock was forecasting that he would be facing a new Tory leader at the general election. The Labour leader may, however, be more wary neck with a vergeance," one of Mr Heselune than any official said. "Whoever wins other possible replacement for

Mrs Thatcher. On November 7, before he announced his challenge, Mr Heseltine was attacked by Mr Kinnock during a Commons debate, who said. "Those who snipe at the prime minister publicly but then cast around for surrogates and stalking borses deserve much the same would be "a few weeks honey- disdain, especially when they moon" before the divisions write a voluminous letter of criucism and theo go off to the

> MPs took this as a clear sign that he feared facing Mr

Time for challengers to show their hand

WOULD-BE challengers have less than 42 hours to show their hand between the close of the first ballot and the start of the next round, as nominations for the second ballot must be given to Cranley Onslow, chairman of the 1922 committee, by noon tomorrow (Sheila-Gunn writes).

Nominations for the first vote are now void and new candidates may come forward. The timetable is: Today: Margaret Thatcher returns from Paris at midday from the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe. She intends to make a Commons statement on the summit at 3.30pm. She is due at Buckingham Palace in the evening for her weekly meeting with the Queen. Tomerrow: Nominations close at noon. Mrs Thatcher the winner.

is due to face question time at 3.15pm in the Commons. Tuesday, Nevember 27: MPs will vote in the second ballot in a Commons committee room between 11am and 6pm. A contestant needs a majority: 187 of the 372 MPs who are entitled to vote. Mrs Thatcher again faces Commons question

no winner emerges, the three candidates polling the candidate polling the lowest number of first preference votes is struck out and the redistributed among other candidates to decide

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highest number of votes can go into a third ballot, with MPs listing their first and second choices under a single transferable system of proportional voting. The second preference votes are

Jamie Dettmer studies the careers of two possible contenders

Major: truly a self-made man

las Hurd was closely quespost-Cold War world with tioned by a group of journal-Castlereagh struggling to help tioned by a group of journalists about his leadership ambitions. Did be want to be prime minister, he was asked. "Heaven forbid," he replied. A moment clapsed and then the more cantious comment

Hurd: a sense of

duty and history

followed: "I don't think so." He mentioned the conthe French," he said. straints of security placed on him already as the then Home Secretary and former Northern Ireland Secretary and suggested that it would be much worse as prime min-ister. He wanted to add to his seven political novels. He wanted time with his two young children. His denials sat uneasily with the rest of his conversation, which showed a politician with a vision and a

Conservative government should head.
A few weeks later his Toryism was on display in a speech delivered at Tamworth to celebrate the bicentenary of ir Robert Peel's birth.
"I think it was Guizot, the Heath's political secretary. Sir Robert Peel's birth.

French conservative leader in the time of Peel, who advised his followers, Enrichissezyous, mes enfants. Peel would never have agreed that the accumulation of private wealth was the final aim of policy, nor does this government. The fruits of economic success could turn sour unless we can bring back greater the Anglo-Irish agreement, then at the Home Office. social cohesion to onr

He continued: "Social cohesion alongside the creation of wealth through private enterprise these are the two conditions of our future progress." The speech could be read as a coded and quiet rebuke of the government. Yes, the years of Tory rule had encouraged the accumulation and spread of wealth but had social cohesion fared as well?

firm grasp of where the

As befits a man whose grandfather and father were Tory MPs, Mr Hurd has a strong sense of duty and history. Mr Hurd's politics and his approach to problems is enriched by a deep knowledge of other times and other places. In a recent interview in The Independent, Mr Hurd

build a new European order after Napoleon. "We have to find a way of creating Euro-pean structures which don't humiliate Gorbachev. Just as Castlereagh had to do it in a way which didn't humiliate

Educated at Eton, where he was captain of the school, Mr Hurd went on to take a First in History at Trinity College, Cambridge. He won both the presidency of the union and chairmanship of the University's Conservative Association. From there he joined the diplomatic service and for 14 years remained a diplomat, serving in Peking, New York during the Sucz Crisis and

Bored and frustrated, he started writing thrillers. He also wrote dozens of letters to possible employers, including one to Edward Heath who took him up. He eventually

It was his close connection with Mr Heath that proved a liabilty for Mr Hurd in the early Thatcher years. Promotion was hard to come by. Once up the ladder he increasingly became a central figure in the government - first at Northern Ireland where he began the difficult negotiations with Dublin that led to



Hurd: promotion was hard to come by

TWO years ago at a convivial compared his position as for-lunch in a London flat, Doug-ign secretary entering the is that he failed when he was las Hurd was closely ques-post-Cold War world with housing chairman at Lambeth difficulties. The Labour party borough council to secure the did not open avenues o demolition of the house he opportunity. What they said and his parents were reduced to live in after his father's a certain amount and a certain business failed. Mr Major does not come

from the toff's wing of the Conservative party. The Chancellor's father, Abraham Thomas Ball, alias Tom Major of the vaudeville doubleact Drum and Major, was a versatile music-hall performer. Late in life, Tom Major left the stage and set up as a sculptor and manufacturer of garden gnomes. A failed investment forced the Majors to swop their home in suburban Worcester Park, southwest London, for n tworoom flat in run-down

Brixton.

Mr Major is living proof that the Conservative party has changed in the last decade or so. He is truly a self-made man, who left school at 16, worked as a labourer, went on the dole, got a job at the Electricity Board before progressing in Standard Char-tered Bank. His escape from poverty came from his own exertions and determination.

With his background, it could be considered odd that he did not join the Wilsonian Labour party. Was he ever attracted to the Left? "Never for a second," he told one interviewer. "From n very precocious age, that always seemed to me to be the way



Major: living proof that Tories have changed

was, 'we will provide you with minimum but we will not help you and others like you to move out of your circum-stances into better and much freer circumstances."

At Standard Chartered Bank he became the personal assistant to Anthony Barber, the former Tory Chancellor. After two attempts to win St Pancras North for the Tories, he was eventually elected at Huntingdon in 1979. His rise in the Tory ranks has been meteoric with eight govern-

ment jobs in as many years.

He shone as a chief scoretary to the Treasury and it was while he was there that it Thatcher had marked him out for high office of state. His few months as foreign secretary were not happy. It was an unexpected appointment. Mrs Thatcher had intended him for the chancellorship. In Kuala Lumpar, at the Commonwealth Conference, Mr Major was contradicted by Downing Street.

His handling of the prime minister has been sure-footed since then. He and Douglas Hurd managed to persuade Mrs Thatcher of the virtues of joining the exchange-rate mechanism. His performances in the Commons on economic matters have been adept. Tory MPs clearly believe that if anyone can swing the economy round, it is

But there are doubts as to whether he would make a good party leader and prime minister. Friends say that he is dry on the economy and soft on social issues. The formula is hardly brave and is certainly not visionary. Asked where he stood within the party by an interviewer last year, he said: "I myself would resist labelling. I am a free-marketeer, I could never accept the politics of soft options, because soft options are always bogus options - but beyond that, I

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Universities try to allay deficit fears

By JOHN O'LEARY, HIGHER EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

UNIVERSITY vice-chan- geted loss for the year. The following the declaration of a £4 million deficit at Bristol. Three universities in the past month have now frozen posts to try to balance their books.

The Universities Funding Council is meeting today to assess a budget for 1991-2 that falls short of the £153 million

Bristol blamed unusually early completion of some large orders for part of its deficit, but said that there was an underlying problem that had the vice-chancellors say is needed to meet current expansion plans. Although Bristol's cent in industrial funding and plight does not appear on the council's agenda, it may in-fluence debate on a mecha-

nism to replace the council's abandoned bidding system.

The decision by Sir John Kingman, Bristol's vice-chancellor, to freeze all new appointments and recall orders for new equipment where colleagues. Most insisted that deficits had been wiped out or were under control

Liverpool university, which tion to introduce top-up fees. imposed a "managed moraimposed a "managed mora-torium" on new appointments side London expect to break two weeks ago, will announce even in the current academic a deficit of more than £500,000 on Friday. A spokesman said, however, that the

cellors tried yesterday to allay freeze, which is to last until fears of financial difficulties April, was said to be a

precautionary measure.
At Edinburgh university similar action is being taken to control a £3 million deficit. Bristol blamed unusually growing contributions from alumni had failed to cope with

Don Carleton, the univer-sity's information officer, said: "This is one of the and we want to stay in the top added that teaching would not suffer and there was no inten-

the costs of research.

year. Only Newcastle, of a dozen universities contacted



Awaiting a new life: Marchel (front) who was found aband

Inflexible rules keeping a new family divided

A BRITISH couple who adopted two Romanian children five months ago have been told by government officials that they cannot bring them into the

The health department has rejected Jean and Patrick Luff as prospective adoptive parents on the advice of Bexley borough council, in spite of the council's having reversed its decision and now recommending that the couple are acceptable.

Faced with complex procedures for adopting children from overseas, a number of prospective parents have chosen to smuggle their children in without the required documents. None has yet been sent back or placed into care.

The case has implications for a number of other couples in similar circumstances, and illustrates the problems with the rules on inter-country adoption which Virginia Bottomely, health minister, has prom-ised to review by the end of the year.

Mrs Luff, aged 37, says that on one hand she has been told that the decision is final and on the other that

A couple's fight to bring two Romanian children to Britain

holds warnings for other hopeful adopters Lin Jenkins reports

ered. "Meanwhile our children are stuck in Romania in far from acceptable conditions," she said.

"The youngest is in hos-pital with pneumonia and we are terribly worried. The the children, but at the moment our children have nothing. It is not possible to argue that it is not in their best interests to be allowed into Britain." The couple from Sideup,

Kent, who cannot have children of their own, adopted the youngsters in June, Marchel, aged three, was found abandoned on a train, and Florina, nearly two, was put in an orphanage at birth by her unmarried mother. Like many other British couples, their only hope of parenthood is adoption from overseas because the limited number of babies

They were accepted in Romania as prospective par-

study compiled by a private social worker. The government guidelines recommend that the study, into the suitability of the couple as adoptive parents, is done by the local authority.

On their return home, Bexley conducted its own study and the report, along with medical and police reports on the couple, was sent to the health department with the recommendation that the couple not adopt the children because Mr Luff, aged 53, had undergone heart surgery.

them down and Bexley referred the case to its own adoption panel, which recommended that the Luffs he allowed to bring the

The health department said: "The decision has been taken and there is no form of appeal even if the local authority does a somersault They initially rejected Mr Luff on health grounds."

Bexley, however, says no final decision has been taken. Nick Johnson, director of social services, said the department was aware of the difficulty being experienced by the children.



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Attack on science spending

THE pressure group Save British Science is to launch a new attack on government spending on science at its annual general meeting in London tonight.

The group will publish a new report, British science: benchmarks for the year 2000, to try to maintain the pressure which has embarrassed ministers and forced the government to keep secret the recommendations made by its

Alan Howarth the minister responsible for higher education and science, will debate its conclusions with Jeremy Bray, the shadow science minister, and Matthew Taylor, the Liberal Democrat spokesman. There will be little in the report to please Mr Howarth, for Save British Science does not accept government claims that it has maintained the proportion of national wealth spent on research.

A study published carlier this year by research workers at the Science Policy Research Unit at Sussex university and the university of Edinburgh showed that Britain was spending almost £400 million a year less on basic research than either France or Germany. Harry Atkinson of the Science and Engineering Research Council reached similar conclusions. He showed that total spending on research and development in Britain, at £9.7 billion, was only about three quarters that of France (£12.8 billion) and half that of

government's difficulties in countering arguments of this sort is that they was being used to bring extra pressure on it.

Germany (£19 billion).

Ancient peatbog to be saved

By NIGEL HAWKES

scientific advisers.

are supported by virtually all scientists in Britain, including many who advise the government on science spending.
This year, for the first time, the advice given by the Advisory Board for the Research Councils has not been pub-lished, making it impossible to compare the figures in the chancellor's autumn state ment. The change was made because the government felt that the advice, which had been critical of spending cuts,

ing lowland bogs, Chat Moss on the borders of Salford and Wigan, is to be preserved in a joint conservation venture by local councils, Greater Manchester Countryside Unit said yesterday. Chat Moss, which once

covered a vast area of south Lancashire, is the home of a rich variety of wildlife. Years of draining and peat-cutting have almost destroyed the moss, but it is hoped to reduce peat extraction and encourage mossland plants to return.

£620,000 award

Paul Moore, aged ten, who is profoundly physically and mentally handicapped as the result of negligence during his birth at St John's Hospital Chelmsford, was awarded agreed damages of £620,000 at the High Court yesterday against Mid Essex health authority.

Bodies found

Piles of bodies have been uncarthed by workmen clearing toxic waste from a build-ing site at Chatham dockyard, Kent. They are thought to have been prisoners who died in captivity during the Na-poleonic wars and they may be returned to France.

Attacker jailed

William McPhilbin, of Nottingham, a former heroin addict who stabbed a woman 229 times and then raped her daughter aged 13, while high on drugs, was jailed for life for murder and ten years for rape

Cruelty to spider Liam Conway, of Erdington, who left a 4in diameter hairy zebra tarantula spider without food and water for at least nine days was fined £50 at Birmingham yesterday.

Chess hopes

With a 4-0 whitewash of Bah rain in round 2 and a 3-1 victor against Greece in round England are back into conte Otympics Susan Arkell, the English top board, won in 61 moves against the Yugoslav top board, Alisa Maric, one of the world's highest rated women players.

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Vicar 'seduced second parishioner after ten-year affair faded'

By PAUL WILKINSON

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A COUNTRY vicar had a tenyear affair with one of his married parishioners and when that liaison began to fade he seduced another member of his congregation who sought his help, a Church of England consistory court in Chichester was told yesterday.

The Rev Tom Tyler, vicar of Henfield, West Sussex, since 1978, told one of his lovers that he wanted to wrap her in "a blanket of love", it was alleged. When confronted by the other woman's husband the vicar said: "I cannot repent what I do not regret," the hearing was told.

Mr Tyler, aged 50, married with four children, denies five specimen charges alleging that he committed adultery with the two women between September 1987 and October last year. They form an indictment used

only once before by the Church of England, alleging that by commit-ting adultery "with a woman within his cure of souls" he is guilty of conduct unbecoming a clerk in holy orders. The verdict will be decided by a panel of two clergy and two lay members of the Chichester diocese.

At the start of yesterday's hearing the chancellor of the diocese, Judge Quentin Edwards, QC, who is presiding over the case, invoked powers under the 1963 Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Measure, closing the court to press and public for all the witnesses' evidence.

He said it would concern adultery and matters involving

nesses would be asked about intimate and potentially highly embarrassing matters".

He said be was making the ruling in the interests of justice and referred to the 1926 Judicial Proceedings, Regulations and Re-ports Act which made it an offence to publish evidence "likely to injure public morals".

Opening the case against Mr Tyler in open court, Nicholas Atkinson, a barrister acting for the Bishop of Chichester, said that "conduct unbecoming" was un-defined in church statutes, but it related to the canons which control the way clergy order their lives, "and they proscribe im-moral conduct". If the vicar had committed adultery he would be guilty of conduct unbecoming.

Mr Atkinson, who were gown and wig for the hearing in a church hall, said that the charges involved Mrs Susan Whittome, the wife of a Henfield fruit grower, and Mrs Barbara Edwards, a mother of two, aged in her thirties.

In the late 1980s Mrs Edwards's younger child died of cot death syndrome. The village organised a holiday in Spain for the family, but on the trip her other child had to be admitted to hospital with convulsions and when they returned home her husband was taken ill. "She turned to the church for

support because she had difficulty in discussing her innermost feelings even with her husband," Mr Atkinsoo said. She attended bible study classes and Mr Tyler visited

confidential relationships. Wit- Road, Henfield, with increasing regularity.

His comforting of her became more intimate. He held her hand and put an arm around her. On at least half a dozen occasions he kissed her on the lips, Mr Atkin-SOD Said

Incidents of sexual familiarity became more regular and Mr Tyler told her he wanted to wrap her in a blanket of love."

They first had sexual inter-

course in 1988, Mr Atkinson said. Afterwards the vicar said he was sorry but he had wanted to show her how much he loved her. She said she felt guilty, but the relationship continued.

On one occasion at her house they had just closed the living room curtains when her husband came home unexpectedly and accused them of having an affair.

Mr Atkinson said that the affair with Mrs Whittome, a woman in her fifties, began soon after Mr Tyler moved into the parish. She was a regular churchgoer and her husband was ordained five years ago. He is now a curate in the parish on an unpaid basis.

The affair began shortly before Christmas 1978 after a choir practise at the church when Mr Tyler gave Mrs Whittome an 'affectionate kiss on the lips. He said: "That is not just Christmas

It developed rapidly and intercourse took place at several loca-tions, including the vicarage, Mrs Whittome's home and the back of the vicar's estate car, But in August 1988 she began to suspect her at her home in Upper Station that he was seeing someone else



The Rev Tom Tyler in the garden of his home in Henfield. He denies charges of adultery with two women

and the affair cooled.

The following summer she told her husband and he confronted the vicar. Mr Tyler responded by saying "I cannot repent what I do not regret." She then made a formal complaint to the bishop which resulted in yesterday's charges. At the conclusion of Mr sums up the evidence.

Atkinson's 20-minote opening speech the court went into camera where it is likely to remain for the three weeks the hearing is expected to last.

It reopens the public when counsel make closing speeches to the assessors and the chancellor

Antelope's death raises new mad cow disease fears

By MICHAEL HORSNELL

THE death of Karla, a popular antelope calf at London Zoo, has aronsed fears that mad cow disease may be spread from mother to offspring with worrying im-plications for cattle and the human food chain.

If scientists confirm these fears, many more cattle could have the disease than the agriculture ministry had thought, although there is still no direct evidence that cattle can pass the disease fromooe generation to the next.

Karla died on November 12

after showing the nervous and debilitating symptoms associated with bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) only 15 months after her mother died from the

Scientists at the British Veterinary Association's laboratories tests on Karla, which are expected in Weybridge, Surrey are examining brain tissue from the 18month-old calf amid growing suspicion that the case will be the first to confirm direct "vertical transmission" of the disease in ungual or booyed animals. Although scientists know that scra-

pie, the form of the disease in sheep, may be passed between generations there has been oo evidence of maternal transmission in other species.

The agriculture ministry is anxiously awaiting the results of the within the next two weeks, and might decide to take more stringent precautions to ensure the disease does not pass into the human food chain. These could include culling in the female line.

More than 12,000 cattle suspected of contracting BSE have been slaughtered in the past 12 zoos and the introduction of months and double that number are expected to be killed next year. The figure could increase dramatically, however, if the worst suspicions about Karla are confirmed.

Her mother, a fine example of the large white-striped, spiralhorned antelope of genus strepsiceros, died in August 1989. A pathology report said that if vertical transmission could occur there were likely to be "farreaching consequences for the movement of animals between

captive-bred animals into the wild". It is known that if Karia had BSE she could not have caught it from bone-meal, which is believed to have been the source of her mother's infection. In 1988 the government banned the feeding of ruminant remains to other ruminants in an attempt to cut off this source of infection.

London Zoo confirmed that histopathological tests are being carried out on Karla to find out whether the disease was passed through the placenta.

Study into link between crime and TV violence

be questioned in a two-year investigation designed to find out whether there is a causal link between television violence and aggressive or criminal behaviour.

The £80,000 project, commissioned by the Broadcasting Standards Council, is the first in-depth British study to discern the role of television in creating fantasies in some viewers' minds that might lead to violent crime. Researchers from Aston university's communications department, in conjunctioo with Dudley health authority, will also interview "ordinary

people. Respondents will be tested for physiological arousal when viewing films and violent television series. Other methodologies will include "fantasy scripts" spoken or written by offenders, reports of viewing history, free-recall of aggressive fantasies, trigger images and contextualised violence and interviews with offenders who say they have been influenced by

television. The project, which begins next month, was announced yesterday by the council, which becomes the statutory watchdog for standards of taste and decency on radio and

television from January 1. The broadcasting council has also published a research document on sex role stereotyping io television commercials. A detailed content analysis of 476 peak-time commercials on ITV showed that, while there is less evidence of sexual stereotyping than has been claimed by feminists, the patterns emerging from the study lend strong support to the concern that women exist in what is essentially a man's world.

The study found that women still occupy a far more decorative role in commercials than men. Women in advertisements for all product types were more likely to be young and attractive. Sixty-four per cent of all women used in commercials were deemed to be attractive enough to model in a fashion magazine, compared to just 22 per cent of the men.

Men also outnumbered women in advertisements by nearly twoto-one and male voice-overs were used in 89 per cent of commercials. Occupations, when given or implied in commercials, showed that men were more than twice as likely to be represented in some

SEX offenders, violent criminals kind of paid employment. Conand schizophrenic convicts are to trary to criticism that women are too often portrayed as housewifes, however, the study found that housework was the dominant activity of only 7 per cent of women and the secondary task of another 16 per cent. Attempts to portray men doing traditionally feminine" tasks such as cooking or cleaning tended to backfire. Men were seen cooking only for friends, whereas cooking for the family is still left to women.

A separate research document oo children's perception of television programmes found that all of the 55 children aged six to nine interviewed at a Leeds primary school had an incomplete understanding of the motives of characters. The children often did not ember or understand essential plot elements.

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Pressure on satellite TV stake

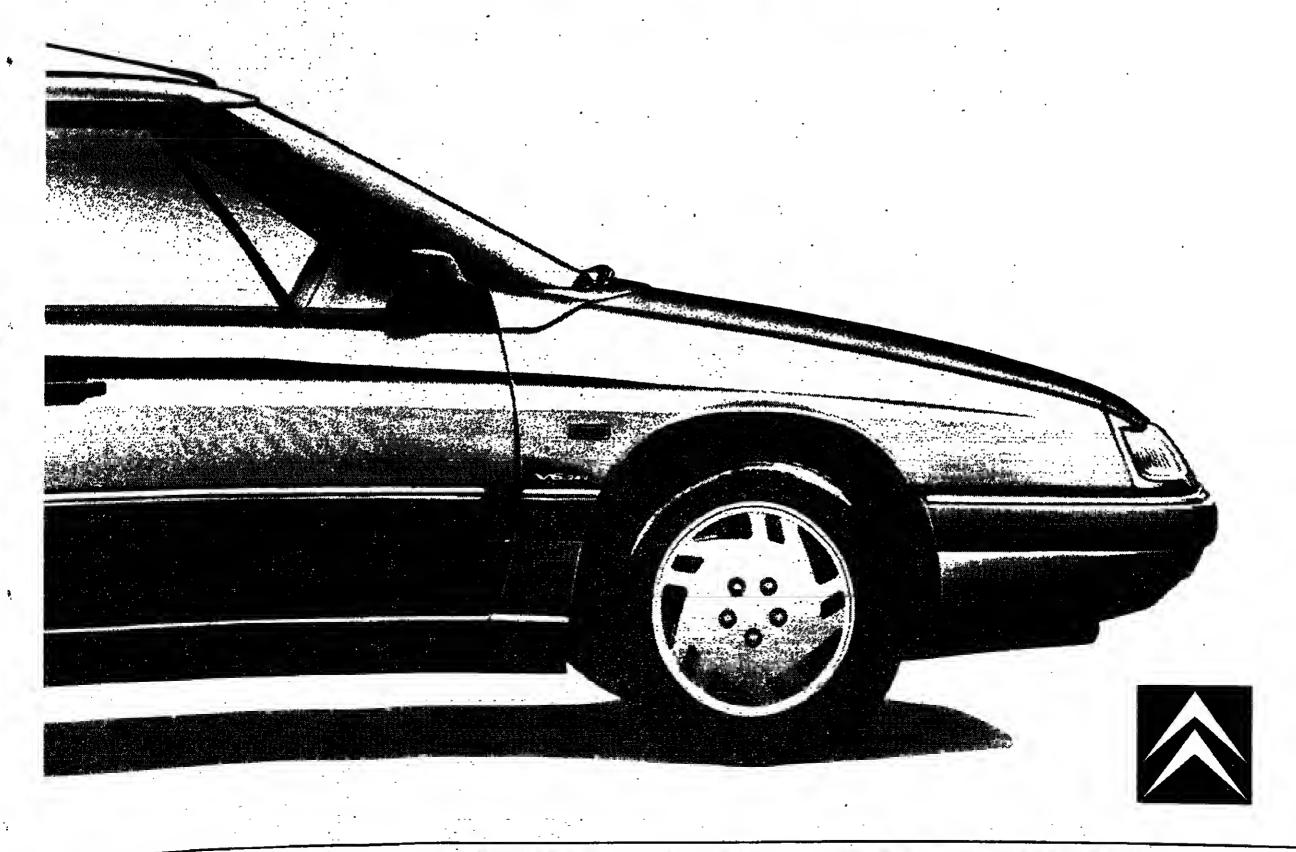
THE Home Office is to come under pressure from the shadow Independent Television Commission to force News International to reduce its stake in the merged British Sky Broadcasting from 50 per cent to 20 per cent (Melinda Wittstock writes).

The commission wants the Home Office to apply the same non-European Community and cross-media ownership restrictions that relate to domestic satellite licences to BSkyB, which is categorised as non-domestic as it transmits via the Astra satellite based in Luxembourg.

Labour politicians and British Satellite Broadcasting (BSB) have lohbied unsuccessfully for two years to bring Sky under the same restrictions. The commission is to ask the Home Office to delay secondary legislation outlining ownership provisions so the pos-ition of News International can be

☐ Bob Phillis, group managing director of Carltoo Communications, will take over from Sir David Nicholas as chief executive of ITN in February. Sir David will continue as ITN chairman.

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Modify Ulster claim, Fine Gael chief says

By Edward Gorman, IRISH AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

Republic's main opposition party called yesterday for articles 2 and 3 of the constitution to be modified.

John Bruton, who was ap-pointed leader of Fine Gael yesierday after the resignation last week of Alan Dukes, said that articles 2 and 3, which claim Northern Ireland as part of the national territory, must recognise that the prior consent of a majority in Northern Ireland should be required before the claim could be

That principle is enshrined in the Anglo-Irish agreement and in the 1975 Helsinki accord". Mr Bruton said. "The Irish people should be asked to write that principle

Dukes who was also committed to modification of the articles, will be welcomed by Unionists who regard that standing affront to the United the age of 21. Kingdom's sovereignty in Northern Ireland. Unionist abolition of the articles as a pre-condition to agreement on

THE new leader of the Irish any new political structures in Northern Ireland

Mr Bruton, who also called on the constitutional parties in Ulster to enter talks under the Brooke initiative, takes the helm at Fine Gael after two consecutive general election defeats, a disastrous performance in the recent presidential election, and a general perception that the party has lost its way. Fine Gael has 55 seats in the

166-seat Dail, but recent opinion polls puts support for it at 26 per cent. If the party is to form a government, that would have to rise to at least 47 per cent.

Mr Bruton, aged 43, who is married with a son and three daughters, is a farmer and into articles 2 and 3 of our constitution."

Mr Braton's remarks, which develop the position under Mr Dukes who was also compit. minister and minister for industry in coalition administrations under Garret Fitz-Gerald. He was first elected part of the constitution as a MP for Co Meath in 1969 at

Mr Dukes resigned last week when the party's presileaders have called for the dential election candidate, Austin Currie, received only 17 per cent of the vote.



Waddington: wants parents to be more responsible

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Bill will bring cut in jail population, Waddington insists

THE Criminal Justice bill will lead to a reduction in the prison population, David Waddington, the home secretary, told MPs yesterday during its second reading in

Mr Waddington made clear that that the legislation was not an exercise in getting rid of prison overcrowding regard-less of the protection of the

However, he said that its new sentencing framework. should lead to a reduction of 1,500 prisoners and changes in the parole system should lead to a further reduction of 500. He said: "The aim of the proposals is to deal with offenders and stop crime more effectively. We expect them to lead to a fall in the use of imprisonment and therefore to a fall in the prison population. This is obviously to he welcomed and I expect it to happen - though the numbers involved are in the nature of things difficult to estimate.
"But I do not want there to

any misunderstanding. This is certainly not a measure designed to achieve some artificial, short-term reduction

The main points of the bill are: a more coherent sentencing framework; a broader range of community penalties; "unit fines"; penalties for parents who wilfully fail to control delinquent children; contracting out court escort duties; reducing the maximum penalty for theft from ten to seven years

and for non-domestic burglary from fourteen to ten years

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The debate was marked by a call from Roy Hattersley, the shadow home secretary, for a provision to outlaw bias in the courts against Asian and black British people.

policy of the courts and to give advice, and for a rule under which defendants must be brought to trial within 112 days of committal.

Mr Waddington said that the bill reformed the parole

Mr Hattersley also pressed for a sentencing council to passed only if the offence was review the general sentencing so serious that a custodial sentence could be investigated.

system so that those in cus-

greater proportion of their sentence in custody and would

sentencing, but told MPs that be had resisted imposing "de-tailed and rigid" sentencing rules upon the courts. A

The bill also allowed the admission in court of video interviews with children and video link for cross examination. That would ensure "that those who abuse children will not be able to hide behind the difficulties which their victims

During his speech, Mr does not work.

"If the authorities knew, as they did, that the conditions were not observed, the mon-

itoring was highly successful." The bilt also places a duty on courts to require parents to attend hearings involving their children. It extends the powers of the court to bind over the parents of offenders

creased by sending to prison people who should not be there. Labour shared the government view that some crimes, particularly the vi-olent and sexual, should result in prison sentences, and supported the principle that many other crimes should not carry custodial sentences.

the bill and that re tions, as well as an absolute failure to introduce procedures that would ensure successful application of the principle that the government

be supervised on release.

He called for consistency of

sentence could be justified.

now face in going to court", he

Waddington gave his support to the electronic tagging of people remanded on bail. He said that pilot schemes had demonstrated the feasibility of electronic monitoring. He added: "It completely baffles me why the press keep insist-ing that the defying of con-ditions of bail in some of these cases proves that monitoring

to exercise proper control,

Mr Hattersley said that in many ways crime was in-

There was inconsistency in

aimed to support, of sentences being related to the offence. The keystone of the bill was that custodial sentences should be imposed only when the crime was too serious to justify anything less. Unfortunately no attempt was made to define "serious". Ambivalence produced confusion that lence produced confusion that could result only in the supposed intention of an appro-priate sentence for an appropriate crime being



Students in polys up by

A sharp rise in the number of polytechnic students was welcomed yesterday by Kenneth Clarke, the education secretary.

Figures show that there has been an increase of 20,000, or 10.6 per cent, in the number of full-time. and sandwich-course students in polytechnics compared with last year and a 3.6 per cent increase in the number of part-time

students. Mr Clarke said that government policy was aimed at ensuring that an even higher proportion of young people should get good quality education.

Scots vote

Alex Salmond. Scottish National MP for Banff and Buchan, has reacted to the prime minister's suggestion that there could be a referendum on European monetary union by tabling a motion demanding a referendum on Scottish independence.

Overseas vote

Government departments are spending about £425,000 in overseas publicity on the new provisions giving votes to British citizens living overseas, Angela Rumbold, home office minister, said in a written reply.

Nuclear test

Britain carried out an underground nuclear test at the American test site in Nevada iast Wednesday, Archie Hamilton, the armed forces minister, said in a written reply.

Brooke's pps



Kenneth Hind (above), MP for Lancashire West, has been appointed parliamentary private secretary to Peter Brooke, Northern Ireland secretary. Mr Hind replaces Peter Bottomley, who has resigned the post.

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Questions: Scotland, Debates on opposition motions on Scotland and on the textile industry. Lords (2.30): Debate on education

Tories 'proving they are unfit?

By JOHN WINDER -

LABOUR jibes about the state the Queen's speech debate the who said the party was on course for a fourth general election victory.

Mr MacGregor was stand-

questions while Margaret asked for a statement on the Thatcher attended the Paris "general climbdown" on city conference on European security and co-operation.

said that the Conservative Party was split from top to bottom in an oray of bitterness, animosity and hatred.

They are required that they are required that the conservative MP for Leicest and the leave that the conservative MP for Leicest and the leave that the conservative MP for Leicest and the leave that the leave t Mrs Thatcher had a new-found enthusiasm for referendums, but should call the only

of the Conscrvative party were government had had a major-turned aside in the Commons ity of 108 on its programme yesterday by John Mac-Gregor, leader of the House, clection came and focused attention on Labour policies, the Conservatives would have a very considerable victory.

Roy Hattersley, deputy asked for a statement on the "general chimbdown' on city technology colleges, but Mr MacGregor replied that there Thomas McAvoy, Labour was no climbdown. There was MP for Glasgow, Ruthergien, a clear programme of 15

"They are proving that they are unfit to govern."

of Mrs Thatcher's achievements had been that the Opposition had changed so one that mattered, a general election, to give the people the opportunity to elect a Labour 1983. That was a clear indicarime minister.

tion of the success the government had achieved.

Curious members

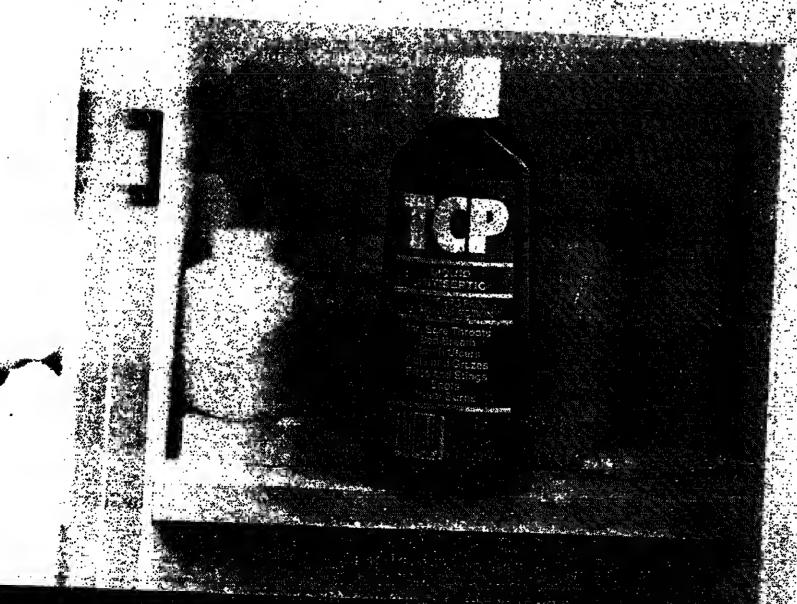
WHEN it comes to asking who put down 705. In third questions, Labour and Plaid and fifth places came the Plaid yesterday by John Mac-Gregor, leader of the Commons (Sheila Gunn writes).

Austin Mitchell, Labour MP for Great Grimsby, tabled the highest number of written questions to ministers last session, 820 in total, easily

Cymru MPs come out top, Cymru MPs, Dafydd Elis according to a table released Thomas and Dafydd Wigley.

The highest scoring Conservative MP is Teresa Gorman (Billericay), who tabled 316 questions and the top Liberal Democrat was Simon Hughes, With 440.

Scoring high in the table is a beating Labour's energy high cost involved in answer-



A TIMELY REMINDER THAT TCP SOOTHES THE ODD INJURY SUFFERED IN THE HOUSE.

Competition to design new museum for Scotland

AN INTERNATIONAL com- them. Although the governterday to design the new Museum of Scotland. It is expected to cost more than \$25\$ million and to be the most significant building financed by the government since the second moreld war. second world war.

TOWN TOWN FAMILIER 21)

The Prince of Wales has agreed to become president of with raising money to enhance the quality of the building and its exhibitions. Dr Robert Anderson, director of the National Museums of Scotland, said the museum could be opened by 1996."

Plans for the museum, which will be on a site in the centre of Edinburgh, have been criticised as too small. Critics say it will be on a cramped site and be little more than an extension of the

The Marquess of Bute, chairman of the National Museums of Scotland trustees, said: better showing. The new museum will be one collections. of the most important cultural building projects undertaken in the United Kingdom in

peatbox

"It will provide the architect with an opportunity to contribute a significant build-ing to the historic city of Edinburgh. The building must be in the highest quality, something of remark and excellence, which will at last provide a suitable setting for our unequalled collections of Scottish material."

The competition will be held in two stages. John Spencely, president of the Rnyal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland, said anonymous submissions would be invited from architects throughnut the world by next April. Up to 20 designs would be selected the following month and a short list of eight entrants would be asked to suhmit more detailed schemes, which would include technical details and cost.

Mr Spencely said information nn the site will be given to the entrants and the style of the interior and exterior left to



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petition was launched yes-ment has promised up to £25

ional museums of Scotland in 1981. It suggested two museums, one in Edinburgh and a patrons' committee charged another in Glasgow, concentrating on the country's indus-

trial heritage.

Julian Spalding, director of Glasgow Art Galleries, believes the proposed museum is on too small a site. He told the Royal Scottish Academy that it should be large enough to contain industrial and social history. Mr Spalding said the museum's size would mean it could concentrate only on highly significant artefacts.

"A Museum of Scotland

Rnyal Museum of Scotland that is only in part a museum of Scotland immediately has an identity problem. It raises expectations it cannot fulfil. As it is proposed, the new world's best known architects. Scotland but an extension of the Royal Museum, for the better showing of its Scottish

"A Museum of Scotland is an ambitious and exciting concept. If we want one, we should do justice to the subject. If we don't want one, let's drop the pretence, abandon the grand name and admit that the Royal Museum is just being extended to improve its own Scottish displays."

Richard Morrison, page 14



Battered Elizabethan gem seeks loving care

By JOHN YOUNG

HILL Hall, near Epping, which was gutted by fire 21 years ago, stands guarded by a 20-stone former member of the Black Watch and nine fierce dogs, its boarded-up windows staring sightlessly over the Essex countryside.

The house, listed Grade I, was built between 1569 and 1575 by Sir Thomas Smith and Richard Kirkby, and is regarded as an internationally important example of early English Renaissance architecture, with four

wings surrounding an open court-yard. Two of the otherwise desolate nostairs rooms contain the only surviving examples of Elizabethan decorative wall paintings, thought to date from about 1576.

It is probably the grandest of some 150 neglected buildings in need of loving care and attention, which are described and illustrated in Nobody's Home, a booklet published by the conservation group Save Britain's

During the last war the house was requisitioned by the government and

handed over to the Hnme Office, which used it as a rural extension of Holloway prison. The house and grounds are now in the care nf English Heritage, which carried out consolidation work a few years ago with a view to opening it to the public as an ancient monument.

As a ruin, however, it was thought to possess little interest and it was decided to seek a buyer prepared to restore it at an estimated cost of £4-£8 million. Further damage, though not to the house itself, has been inflicted by the M25 which carves a great swathe though the park designed by Humphry Repton. English Heritage feels, however, that its proximity to the M25, M11 and London may prove an attraction.

Three years ago a sale fell through but negotiations are now under way with another potential buyer. English Heritage said it was prepared to nffer a long lease, probably of 125 years, but restoration work would have to be approved in detail, and nnly certain uses would be allowed. Conversion to offices or a hotel would probably be acceptable.

Sex crime prisoners in cells 20 hours daily

By QUENTIN COWDRY HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

SEX offenders at Chelmsford jail in Essex are locked up in their cells for more than 20 hours a day, with nn npportunity to work and minimal access to education and exercise, according to a Prisons Inspectorate report published

The amount of time spent in cell by all inmates is unacceptable, but conditions for prisoners segregated for their own protection are worse, Judge Stephen Tumim, chief inspector of prisons,

During his visit to the local jail earlier this year, Rule 43 inmates complained that they were niten allowed nnly three 30-minute exercise sessions a week and that education consisted of nothing more than a general conversation with a teacher nn one afternoon a

"The regime for those held nn Rule 43 was very unsatisfactory and an active programme should be produced to include work, educatinn and association," Judge Tumim says. Conditions for remand prisoners were only marginally better.

The report also calls for the jail's hospital, described as "disgracefully dilapidated", to be replaced and for inmates to be checked by medical staff on first entering the prison. However, the report notes that staff-inmate relations are generally amicable and that prisoners are well-behaved.

Mike Stewart, assistant director of the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders, said Chelmsford jail was failing to help reform inmates, nne of the duties of the prison

Hillsborough case relatives warned

RELATIVES of the Hills- pen, not only do you put borough football disaster vic- yourself at risk of being in tims who try to pre-empt the inquest verdict in newspaper case at risk because it may not

vised the relatives against have responsibility as well as a trying to influence the july's doty."

verdict and said that the press video film was played had a duty to treat the injury showing the build-up to the as any other court of law.

On the second day of the liver problem of the second day of the liver problem.

said that he was unhappy about interviews in a newspaper article yesterday. "It is wrong that a paper and the people who give interviews should attempt to pre-empt. your decision," he told the ury. "The only thing that matters as far as your verdict is concerned is what happens

Dr Popper told relatives of the victims: "If you give bodies, interviews on what you think The has happened or should hap- today.

interviews could be in con- be possible to obtain a true tempt of court, the coroner verdict." He said to the press; warned yesterday. warned yesterday.

Dr Stefan Popper, coroner your privileges just because at the Sheffield hearing, adthis is a coroner's court. You have responsibility as well as a

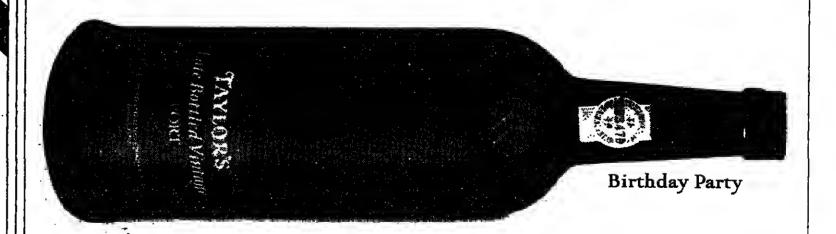
On the second day of the Liverpool fans being crushed inquest nn the 95 victims of, on the terraces. Dr Popper the 1989 disaster, Dr Popper warned relatives in court that made by police. Sheffield Wednesday Football Club and BBC television.

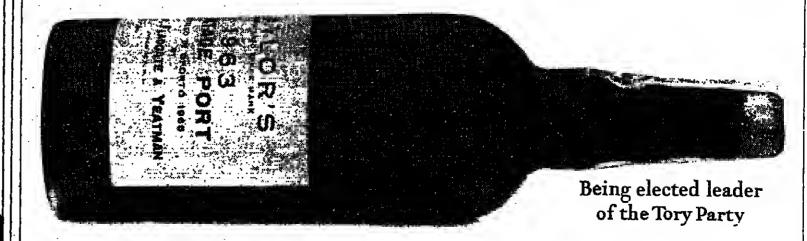
> Some of the relatives were visibly upset as they watched the film and a number left the court. Later film showed supporters struggling to free themselves from piles of

The hearing continues

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EUROPEAN SECURITY SUMMIT

Kohl says reunited Germany will give EC sovereignty role

IN AN implied rebuke to based Council of Europe. He sovereignty would be ir-Margaret Thatcher, Helmut said the EC must become an retrievably lost in implement-Kohl, the German chancellor, told the Paris security summit yesterday that a united Germany would transfer much of its regained sovereignty to the open to the new democracies. European Community. He He emphasised that Gersaid the community was a vital component of the stable and united Europe to which the leaders of 34 European and North American nations

The chancellor told fellow leaders on their second day of here as strong affirmation of ms benef in swifter and deeper to Moscow next week to look at needs. The team would report on food distribution of German bis. Conscious of German history and the resultant moral political responsibility, the united Germany will be a cornerstone of the peaceful

European order," he said. This order, he made clear, was based on the strengthen-ing and evolution of the EC, of sceptics, especially in the CSCE and the Strasbourg- Britain, who feared national

economic and monetary union and also a political union, and be the nucleus of a pan-European economic area

many regarded its frontiers as final. Only peace would emanate from German soil. And a united Germany would never go it alone: "Together we must are committing themselves at and will meet the challenges the summit Conference on facing us. This calls for action Security and Co-operation in on the basis of pan-European responsibility and solidarity."

Herr Kohl's speech was seen partly to reassure EC partners, especially France, that Germany would not retreat from its community commitments.
His promise to transfer key

elements of German sovereignty to Brussels was seen

ing monetary union and closer political integration.

Herr Kohl, whose central presence at the summit was underlined by his chairing of the first full session on Monday, thanked all 33 other leaders for their support for unification. Without the CSCE process it would not have been possible to achieve this peacefuly, he said.

He also announced that he was giving immediate food aid cratic obstacles.

In separate talks, he also urged Mrs Thatcher and Brian Mulroney, the Canadian prime minister, to give emergency humanitarian aid to Moscow. "One must help friends when they are threat-

Looking for

the best



Arms control: President Bush at full stretch during a break on the second day of the CSCE summit in Paris

with rebels

Afghanistan, on a previously unannounced visit to Geneva, held unprecedented talks there yesterday with repre-sentatives of some Mujahidin guerrilla groups and those of the former King Zahir Shah (Hazhir Teimourian writes).

While details on the identities of those taking part were scarce, it was confirmed that the talks were aimed at the setting up of a coalition government in Kabul that would leave some of the more milifundamentalist Mujahidin groups out in the

Student deaths

Delhi - Three teenage schoolgirls burned themselves to death in different schools in Jabalpur town in the central Indian state of Madhya Pradesh to protest against the previous government's policy of reserving jobs for low-caste Hindus, the United News of

Mapute - A gang of young boys belonging to the rebel Mozambique National Resistance, Renamo, killed two people and injured five in an ambush on a convoy of civil-ian vehicles in southern Mozambique, the official AIM news agency reported.
One survivor described the attackers as "kids" aged between 10 and 12 (AFP)

Tokyo — One in every six leading Japanese companies has received extortion threats from organised crime syndicates known as yakuza, a police report said. A survey of about 3,000 companies conducted by the National Police Agency also showed that about 30 per cent paid up. (Reuter)

Najibullah holds talks

Boys in ambush

Crime threats

Madrid puts the **Rock** on agenda

By Andrew McEwen DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

FELIPE González, prime minister of Spain, yesterday increased pressure on Britain to hand over sovereignty of Gibraltar by raising the dispute at the Paris summit.

He described the colony as an "anachronistic vestige the old order and said Britain and Spain "must solve the conflict of Gibraltar". Senor ficial visit to Britain next week and seems likely to press the case with the government.

Britain shows no sign of giving up the Rock, but Sedor González's tactics are bound to cause London some embarrassment. The aim of the Paris conference is to lay to rest conflicts left over from the second world war. Gibraltar does not belong to that cate-gory, but Senor González sought to make a link by saying that a settlement was essential if there was to be a new era of peace.

"We cannot expect to build solid order on fragile foundations," he told the 33 other heads of state and government of the Conference on Security and Co-operation

in Europe (CSCE).

A Foreign Office spokes-man said the British position was well known. "The rights of the people of Gibraltar to determine their future are President Najibullah of fully guaranteed under the



González: his tactics will

1969 constitution," he said. The British and Spanish foreign ministers meet once a year to discuss their differences under an agreement made at Brussels in 1984. "Britain is fully committed to the process of bilateral discussions under the Brussels process," the spokesman said. Spain has made some headway since 1984, but less than it hoped. After years of talking the border between Spain and Gibraltar was fully opened in 1985. Britain and Spain reached agreement in 1987 that Spain should have access to Gibraltar's airport. When the Gibraltarian government refused, London and Madrid agreed to work together to persuade it.

The Gibraltarians are not thought to have changed their attitude since the 1967 referendum, when they voted by 12,138-44 to retain the British link. Promises which Britain made to respect their wishes became less relevant after Franco's death, but have

been repeated. Britain's case is based on the Treaty of Utrecht of 1713, under which Gibraltar was ceded to it in perpetuity. Madrid's reply is that, as Spain is now a democracy, a member of Nato, the EC and the Western European Union, Britain has no need to retain West Europe's only colony.

Warsaw Pact's demise agreed

agreed that the military struc-ture of the alliance will be dismantled by mid-1991 and the organisation will be scrapped by no later than early 1992, Jozsef Antall, the Hungarian prime minister, told the Paris summit

He was speaking the day after Nato and Warsaw Pact members signed a far-reaching agreement cutting con-ventional weapons and pledg-ing friendship between all European nations, a move which he said had dealt a "mortal blow" to the pact's existence and hed made and the pact's properties and here with the first pact and the pact's packets. existence and had rendered it

Mr Antall's speech was the first official, high-level confirmation that Warsaw Pact members are united in their determination to see the Soviet-dominated military alliance disappear now that democratic governments have been elected in almost all member countries except the Soviet Union.

ing security policies, and we hope the conditions for the conditions for the complete dissolution of the Carded and replace Warsaw Pact within the Euro-

THE six remaining members pean security system can be of the Warsaw Pact have created by the start of 1992," created by the start of 1992,"

The Moscow-based military command had already "virtually ceased to function", Mr Antali said. He recalled that Hungary said as early as June that it would no longer participate in pact military manoen-vres or allow joint exercises to take place on its territory, but had remained in the alliance to facilitate preparations for the Paris summit and the arms control treaty.

yesterday that the July deadline for ending the military command was significant because it coincided with the date of the final withdrawal of Soviet forces from Hungary and Czechoslovakia. He said it would take up to six months

to "liquidate the command". Confirmation of the dismantling of the pact after 45 years as Nato's hostile adversary means that the Soviet Union, which wanted alliance The new democracies of remnants to be transformed central Europe are now standing before the task of reformorganisation, has yielded to demands first voiced by Hungary that it should be dis-carded and replaced with

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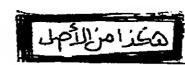
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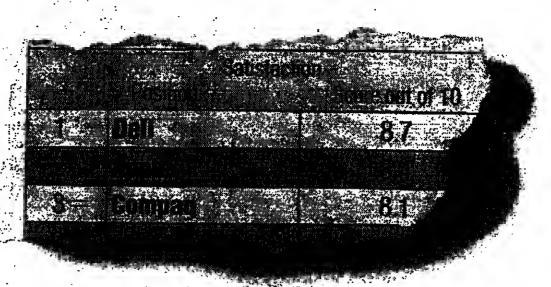
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Doubts over armour and desert isolation sap morale of troops

From Christopher Walker in Dhahran

boredom in a country whose customs many despise. Their enthusiasm for war is fuelled a desire to get home as quickly

But such is the organisation that has gone into the trip - and the might of the public relations machine surroundjournalists are uncertain how much of the discontent the president will be allowed to

In addition to disillusion-ment with conditions in a country where the military stand-off cannot be relieved by pleasures such as beer or men's magazines, there have also been growing doubts about the effectiveness of some American military

An American-made television film which shocked officers who watched it here this week raised serious questions about the nperatinual effectiveness of the Apache helicopter, listing a catalogue of lapses in the functioning of the sophisticated "tank killer"

centrepiece of the massive six- Iraq has been delayed. day exercise, "Operation Imminent Thunder," had been scrapped because - after two much-vaunted amphibious

American military planners to ing it - that American step up psychological pressure on Iraq, backfired because account had not been taken of high winds and heavy seas on the Gulf coast at this time of year. The operation was renamed by American journalists as "Operation Imminent

Other elements of the multi-

tional force have also had equipment problems, includ-ing breakdowns of the British-built Challenger tank, but none have been on the scale of those which have affected the Americans. The large military public relations team has tried to persuade some news organisations that reporting of "familiarisation difficulties" would only serve to boost

Less effort is devoted to

WHEN President Bush visits military hardware. Soon after them. Observers who have American forces in Saudi the film was shown to a been in Saudi Arabia since Arabia tomorrow he will be dismayed audience in the among troops whose morale is American-dominated press ened as the prospect of imbering eroded by numbing centre, news emerged that the mediate attack on Kuwait or

> Despite resolute denials by Washington spokesmen that President Saddam's offer to release all hostages between craft were unable to make the December 25 and March 25 much-vaunted amphibious will affect America's willingness to strike, many servicemen feel it is now less likely that the war widely predicted

"Doubt about the date of a US strike has been compounded with nagging doubts about why the troops are actually here in the desert," a pondent said. "Some of them America has got itself in-volved in what amounts to an inter-Arab tribal squabble and others want Bush to lay on the line why they are here."

The correspondent, one of those given close access to US among them there was still a large element eager for an attack, but the main reason was boredom. "One sergeant put it succinctly this week," he added. "He said: 'Why don't



Captive andience: a Hezbollah fighter guarding rival Amal militiamen who are to be part of a prisoner exchange

Iraq to execute hoarders of grain

By MICHAEL THEODOULOU IN NICOSIA AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF (1,100 lb) of wheat and 200 be freed in response to calls by IRAQ introduced the death

penalty yesterday for people convicted of hoarding cereals, belying its recent boasts that it had stockpiled enough food to beat sanctions for months.

The Iraqi parliament said the new law was needed to deter greed when the country was undergoing "an unjust econnmie embargo" and voted to give the government a monopoly on the sale and which is supposed to provide trying to disguise the mood of we just bomb the whole the backbone of the American troops, which is Middle East into a parking lot ability to knock out Iraqi obvious to anyone who meets and get the hell back home?"

Yesterday President Sad-resolution authorising the use and maize. Farmers were told dam Hussein said all remainders of force to free Kuwait. Iraq in the could keep 500 kilograms ing German hostages should did not say whether the esti-

kilograms of rice for their own Chancellor Helmut Kohl for a use, but must hand the rest over to the government within confrontation in the Gulf. two weeks of the harvest.

allowances reduced. The newmeasure came a day after Iraq announced it would send another 250,000 troops to Kuwait in response to the American-led build-up.

peaceful solution to the

The move was seen as Last week rice rations were another attempt to divide the cut by a third and wheat alliance against Baghdad and to upstage the Paris conference on European security and co-operation where President Bush and his Secretary of State, James Baker, have been lobbying for a United Nations

mated 280 Germans would be allowed to return home immediately or would have to wait until Christmas, when Baghdad has promised it will begin to free all foreigners.

Earlier this month Willy Brandt, the Social Democrat and former West German chancellor, won the release of some 180 foreigners, mostly Baghdad and emphasised the need for a peaceful solution. On Sunday Herr Kohl called for a negotiated settlement to force Iraq out of Kuwait. "My urgent advice is that we exhaust all ways to negotiate

that can be exhausted."

Plans for an Arab solution
to the Gulf confrontation dragged nn when Morocco's King Hassan, who called for an emergency summit of the Arab League 10 days ago, suggested on Monday that it need not at first involve all members. Those most closely involved in the confrontation should meet first to prepare

the ground, he suggested. His first call was rejected by the key Arab members of the anti-Baghdad alliance after-Iraq said it would attend only if the Palestinian ouestion was high on the agenda and foreign forces withdrew.

 BONN: The news that the German hostages were to be released was welcomed by the country's main political parties, who promptly tried to claim the credit. A general election is to be held in less than two weeks.

The Christian Democrats said President Saddam had been prompted by Herr Kohl's peace efforts, while the oppohint of orce in Beirut putatio

By JUAN CARLOS GUMUCIO

FACING revamped challenges to its strategy in Lebanon, Syria yesterday reiterated its commitment to help President Hrawi extend his authority throughout the country and hinted that force could soon become necessary to evict the strongest Christian militia from Beirut

Although principally aimed at Samir Geagea, the chief of the Christian Lebanese Forces militia, the signals from Damascus also reflected anxiety nver Israel's determination to remain entrenched in southern Lebanon. The reaffirmation of Syrian

support came at surprise talks perween President Assad and the Lebanese leader in Damascus on Monday, hours after der strongholds in eastern Beirut. The meeting coincided army operations in the south. A Syrian spokesman told reporters that President Assad maintains his decision to help brotherly Lebanon on Thawra newspaper was more specific. In a commentary reminiscent of President Assad's threats to General Miehel Aoun before Syrian troops defeated him last month, the newspaper said that "any justifications given to delay the Greater Beirut plan are strongly rejected."

A report quoting a govern ment source in Beirut said President Hrawi had not ruled out military action against Mr Geagea's 10,000-strong mi-litia, and that government officials were advising Mr Geagea not to provoke Syria. The militia chief yesterday gave no sign of compromise.

urity plan for "Greater Bei-rut" is the first and most significant test for the Arab League-sponsored peace accords ratified by the Lebanese parliament last year. Because of Syria's involvement in Lebanon, the plan is also crucial for President Assad's credibility in the region.

The plan, which has been accepted by all Muslim mi-Beirut under the control of the Lebanese army as a prelimi-nary to a reconciliation process and the adoption of political reforms to end the ed system. Mr Geagea insists on "guarantees" that pro-Syrian forces will not fill the vacuum once the Lebanese Forces are redeployed from east Beirut to positions along the coast and the mountains

Israel fears for border security

From Richard Owen in Jerusalem

yesterday after the death of an Israeli army officer in south-

ern Lebanon, the first such death for nearly a year. Israeli nfficials said the situation in Lebanon and Jordan was giving "cause for concern" and increased pressure on Israeli border forces from armed Arab groups was directly attributable to the shake-up caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Diplomats say this in turn is increasing Israeli impatience

at the postponement of action against Iraq by US-led forces. Israeli officials called nn King Husain to restore an atmosphere of calm in Jordan, and accused him of whipping up agitation" by alleging that Israel was planning an act of aggression against Jordan and vanted to destroy Islamic

holy sites in Jerusalem. An Israeli army spokesman said a lieutenant had been killed during a clash in south-ern Lebanon with Arab gunmen from the Syrian-backed Palestinian Popular Struggle Front. At least four of the Arabs were also killed. Significantly, the encounter took place four miles north of the security zone imposed by Israel five years ago as a buffer against armed attacks on its northern border.

Israeti officials have recently emphasised the need to draw a red line" and stop infiltration attempts before they even reach the nine-mile deep zone. An official said the security zone was "very far from being the main obstacle

to peace in Lebanon". Israel would only withdraw its forces and abandon the zone when there was a responsible government" in Lebanon with whom to negotiate a binding settlement.

We have seen too many

pacification plans in Lebanon come and go," he said.

THERE was mounting con-cern in Jerusalem over Israel's Muslim militias and Palestinian radical groups.

Syria's growing grip on Lebanese affairs and its backing for efforts by the Lebanese government of President Hrawi to extend its authority are assumed by Israel to have the tacit approval of the United States. In its view, Damascus is being given a free hand as a reward for its participation in the anti-Iraq



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of encouraging unrest

round and air force raids beyond its security zone in the past few weeks in an attempt destroy the Hezbollah positions established in southem Lebanon:

Israeli sources said it was also strengthening its defences along the Jordan river following recent successful infiltrations by Arab extremists in which two Israeli soldiers were killed. Officials said the infiltrations pointed to a loss of control by King Husain.

Yitzhak Shamir, the prime minister, said the king was being subjected to a wave of fanatical nationalist and Is-

Jordan fears that, in the chaos of a war with Iraq, Israel could expel Palestinians from the West Bank into Jordan, come and go," he said.

Israeli leaders are concerned that Syria's attempts to imsettle West Bank towns such pose a settlement in Lebanon as Nablus and Hebron with and reunify Beirnt mean a Jewish immigrants.





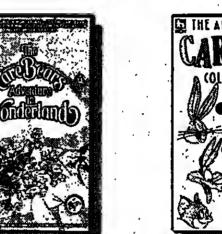
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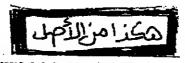








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Leningrad begs for food from West to avert famine

From Nick Worrall in moscow

Severe shortages. From December 1 each citizen will receive ration people of Leningrad will soon coupons for 13lb of food, including 21/2 lb of meat, 2 lb of from residents of the German sausage. I lb of butter, 10 eggs, port of Hamburg where funds 4 lb of sugar and 2 lb of pasta—are also being collected for

tion and ensure everybody gets a basic ration," said Konstantin Mitchin, deputy chairman of a special Leningrad committee set up to deal with the impagning food with the impending food

Leningrad's older citizens is month. For three days be-how hundreds of thousands tween the announcement and died of starvation during the German blockade from 1941 to 1944. In recent weeks, notices have been posted in the city calling on the "blockade spirit" to help to overcome a winter predicted to be harsh and beset by shortages.

The commission was set up amid concern about the growth of barter deals by suppliers in the Soviet Union's outer republics who refuse to supply the crumbling central Soviet planning and distribution system. Moscow's city council is planning a similar move. The Ukraine on the private open market.

introduced rationing. Mr Sobchak said emergency food aid was needed to prevent famine and also to back to the way things were ment will neutralise their under Brezhnev - at least then power (Robert Seely writes).

next week to assess the coun-member of parliament, Voatry's needs and decide on ways dyn Boyko summed up thus

ironically, of a Soviet block-ade similar to that of 1948-1949 which was overcome by the Berlin airlift. In 200,000 missions over 10 months, Allied pilots flew in 1.5 million tons of food. Since then, West Berlin has stored food reserves which today amount to 350,000 tonnes of frozen and tinned meat, rice, wheat, dried vegetables and sugar.
The European Community
also has stockpiles of food that

matter which party

cellor, in a sign that he is

ing extra revenue. But what

the extra money is for remains

coalition government to admit it got its sums wrong over

unification.

The SPD is able to mount

the attack because Herr Kohl,

a plennig to revenue needs,

taxing the use of energy to

encourage cuts in carbon di-

oxide emissions and so help

Oskar Lafontaine, his SPD

challenger, who has always

said that unification would

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tion next year, which would

the environment.

The Bundestag meets in a

FACED with its bleakest win- could be sent to the Soviet ter since the second world war, Union. But officials in Brus-Leningrad is to start rationing food within a fortnight. The mayor, Anatoli Sobchak, has appealed to the West to send urgent food aid for the city's five million people who face. five million people, who face has been received from Moscow for emergency food aid. In the meantime, the needy

receive the first food parcels each month.

"We have no choice but to den are reported to be prepartry to control the food situaing their own help schemes. Leningrad's rationing scheme will not be an easy solution. There are worries that not enough food will be

found to guarantee minimum supplies, and that Leningrad will suffer a repeat of the The most bitter memory of debacle in the Ukraine last the launch of the scheme, shoppers besieged food stores. On Sunday leading Lenin-

grad academics appealed for help for the city's 300,000 students, described as "the lowest-paid people in the city, living below the poverty line", whose grants do not exceed 60 roubles (£60) a month. City leaders were asked to allow subsidies so students could meet extra food costs. As in the Ukraine, prices are

likely to rise steeply because many suppliers will avoid state shops and sell their food and Armenia have already KIEV: The Communist majority in the Ukraine parliament yesterday forced through an amendment designed to take back the sweepprevent public opinion from ing powers the party had turning against democratic reforms. "Already a lot of elections. Democratic MPs people are saying 'Let's go now fear that the new amend-

he said.
In another development,
Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, is to send a high-level team to the Sovier I in the stores',"

In another development, through the change amid uproar and accusations of cheating made by many independent. to send urgent food aid.

Hoge reserve stocks of food day was the finish of demohave been held in Berlin for cratic forces in our years against the possibility, parliament. We can no longer the first time to distance do anything - we are merely guests here."

Another leading radical deputy, Yuri Zbitnev, said:
"This was an attack by reactionary forces. Their aim was to suppress the opposition and to hold on to power for as long as possible. We are like hostages on a political plane that has been hijacked by the



Feet first: Bucharest shoppers scuffle in a queue to buy shoes, now in short supply in the Romanian capital

Rocard survives by a whisker to fight again

AFTER Michel Rocard had fought off yet another noconfidence motion against France's Socialist government preservation. His mid-term standing in the opinion polls remains unusually high, occaby a meagre five votes late Monday night, a photographer snapped him smiling broadly among a crowd of relieved

A combination of political arm-twisting and the prime minister's effective speech to the National Assembly had done the trick, leaving the conservative opposition and their temporary allies in the Communist faction to squabble about what went wrong.

But while the right and the far left emerge from this latest tussle in even worse shape than before, M Rocard's longterm survival remains a matter for speculation. In the runup to the vote, tabled over national health contribution increases, President Mitter-tand left the distinct im-pression that he would not lose much sleep over the fate of his prime minister, for all M Rocard's brave words about unswerving support from the Elysée Palace.

the first time, to distance himself from a government passing through a period of growing unpopularity. The dexterity with which M Mitterrand transfers the blame for Socialist policies the nation dislikes to M Rocard's office shows evidence of Le Florentine at work.

But M Rocard is made of altogether tougher stuff than his inoffensive, almost self-Nuclear blackmail, page 14 effacing presence may suggest,

M Mitterrand have taught him a thing or two about self-

options than may first appear. Most observers agree that the contest for the presidential succession lies behind the present manoeuvring, and that M Mitterrand is still

sionally surpassing the popularity of the president, and he has more political

things go seriously wrong, M Rocard will be among the Socialists' front-runners when M Mitterrand steps down in 1995 (or possibly earlier) and every move be makes until then is designed to strengthen his claim. Before Monday's vote,

Rocard faithfuls were arguing increasingly difficult for the that being forced out of office Socialists. over an issue like the proposed financial reform of France's that M Mitterrand is still social welfare system - long done enough to mark him backing Laurent Fabius, the overdue and intended to down as presidenttial timber:

and two and a half years under former prime minister. Unless spread the tax burden more others argue that he should equitably - would hardly damage his credibility. At the same time, the threat of an economic downturn, plus a stuff, murky scandal involving In funding of the last Mitterrand election campaign and continuing turbulence in the high

> Some political analysts feel that M Rocard has already

plough on, whatever the problems, if only to convince the electorate that he has the right

In the view of the left-wins daily Liberation, beating off the latest censure motion cannot be taken as a rousing vote schools, promise to make life of confidence in M Rocard; it may have bought him a little breathing space, but the fundamental problems facing France today will soon be weighing as heavily on his

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Romania rally backs premier

From Tim Judah IN BUCHAREST

TWENTY thousand Romanians demonstrated their sunport for the ruling National Salvation Front yesterday at a rally in Bucharest's Aviator Square. They chanted: "We work, we fight and with the front we're right."

They gave an ecstatic reception to the movement's leader. Petre Roman, the prime min-ister. The relatively small turnout contrasted with the more than 100,000 anti-government demonstrators on the streets last Thursday.

Addressing the rally, Mr Roman admitted that his government, elected six months ago, had made many mistakes. In what appeared to be a significant shift of empha-sis, he said: "We have still not succeeded in bringing to jus-tice top communists, police-men and Securitate who were responsible for all those years of dictatorship."

The crowds booed as another speaker asked them what they thought of Romania's new neo-communist party, the Socialist Party of abour, whose birth has given the front a chance to distance itself from communism. Cheerleaders began the chant of "Down with communism", a cry hitherto associated with anti-front demonstrations.

Yesterday's rally appeared to be the first attempt by the front to revive its flagging popularity, hard hit by recent price rises. It is preparing for a convention in January where, said Claudiu lordache, its vice-president, it would change from a broad-based movement into a "social democratic centre-left party".

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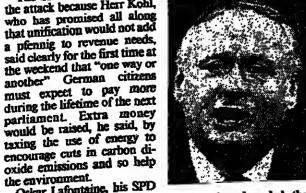
German voters unable to escape tax increases

From Ian Murray in Bonn

then be available to pay for the way for possible new taxes GERMAN voters now know restructuring in the east, avoiding the need for unpoputhat taxes will increase, no they lar tax increases. choose in next month's elec-Even with these proposed tions. Helmut Kohl, the chan-

savings, the expected public sector deficit will probably reach DM 150 billion next confident of victory, has said publicly that he intends raisyear, about 5 per cent of the gross national product, forcing up public borrowing to an unprecedented DM 70 billion, special session tomorrow to debate the issue, with the opposition Social Democrats DM 3 billion more than this record government (SPD) making what looks like a despairing effort to force the

Herr Waigel insists it is better to increase borrowing than to put up taxes. "Tax increases poison growth. A tax increase to finance the costs of



Lafontaine: branded the ereen tax" as a lie

inevitably force up taxes, has unity therefore has to described the chancellor's "green tax" as a lie. The avoided," he says. The budget will not be money would be needed to completed until after the elecupgrade the economy in easttion, however, making it ern Germany, he said, and Herr Kohl's admission that impossible for Herr Lafontaine's SPD to prove his claim taxes will go up destroys the that figures are being mas-saged to hide tax increases. "myth" he created that uni-Eveo so, it is clear that total The government has acgovernment spending will be around DM 400 billion, an knowledged that unification is proving more expensive than unprecedented high. Nearly a expected. Theo Waigel, the third of the total will be spent finance minister, has already announced plans to save DM 35 billion (£12.06 billion) in the former East Germany, equivalent to about £2,000 a head for every man, woman from public spending on items and child there. like defence and administra-

about a mouth ago by refusing to rule out the possibility that they might be introduced ruse of the Gulf confrontation". With consummate skill, he is now switching the argument away from the divisive unification question to the popular German theme of

protecting the environment.

The cabinet agreed earlier this month, as a contribution to reducing global warming to work for a 25 per cent reduction by 2005 in carbon dioxide emissions and backed taxation as an important way of achieving this target.
Klaus Töpfer, the environ-

ment minister, favours a system which will increase the tax on cars proportionate to the size of their engines. He has also called on the automobile industry to develop private cars using at least 30 per cent less fuel

Apart from using taxation as a means of "persuasion" the government wants more money available to spend on research into renewable energy systems, such as wind and water power, which cur-rently provides just 2.6 per cent of Germany's energy needs. Assuming the government wins the election, detailed legislation on the new programme will be brought in next autumn after inter-ministerial working parties have had time to draft the necessary

Herr Lafontaine, whose entire electoral programme has been designed around the creation of an environmentally friendly and socially responsible economy, is thus being outflanked by Herr Kohl in the one issue where he might have felt to be in the lead. The SPD is now taking full-page advertisments in popular newspapers, such as Bild, to press its environ-Herr Kohl began preparing mental credentials.

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From anarchy to blackmail

Conor Cruise O'Brien

he Paris summit has taken place amid an orgy of makebelieve. All those attending have acted out an agreed fable, according to which the Soviet Union is still a coherent political entity for which Mr Gorbachev can speak with authority and the future political conduct of which he can guarantee. On the basis of these assumptions, the commu-nique announced "a new era of friendship and cooperation be-tween East and West."

The nearest thing to a note of realism was struck by Douglas Hurd, when he referred to "a threat of anarchy" in the Soviet Union. Anarchy, unfortunately, is more than a threat, it is the present condition of what noce as the Soviet Union. As far as Russia is concerned, the condition is succinctly described by a Russian commentator. "Anarchy is when you have a president, a Supreme Soviet, a republican perliament, a city soviet, and a Communist party apparatus, all distrusting each other and issuing decrees that nnbody respects."

That is the condition of the Russian Federation. In the 14 nther republics, conditions are similar, in some cases approaching civil war. The dissolution of the Soviet Union into 15 sovereign states has been held up only e most of the republics are also on the verge of dissolution.

Th stop the rot, or rather to be seen to be trying to stop it, Mr Gorbachev announced on Saturday a series of measures, at the core of which is the assumption of personal executive power by him-self as president. But for months, no one has been paying attention to Soviet law. Can it be otherwise with decrees from Mr Gorbachev?

Presidential decrees might not be ignored if they could quickly put goods into the shops, but we may assume that if be knew any method of doing that, he would have done so already. As it is, the shortages are turning to famine. In a poli conducted by Moscow News, 62 per cent of respondents in 21 cities leared a famine in the next few months. Mr Gorbachev's assumption of supreme power is a response to this desperate situation, the result of months of anarchy, following the failure of the command economy.

Many other countries are undergoing the horrors of anarchy, but the Soviet Union is unique, for there anarchy is swirling around a tremendons concentration of nuclear weaponry. Out of today's anarchic conditions, new power formations will emerge. Are they likely to be more aggressive than the present Soviet leadership? If - so, to what purpose might they apply their control of the fearsome force at their disposal?

These unseemly questions obviously could not break the decorous surface of the Paris summit. After the signature of the treaty on conventional forces in Europe, the Soviet chief negotiator, Oleg Grinevsky, announced: "With this treaty the Soviet Union is ceasing to be a military power." True, for the Soviet Union is ceasing to be any kind of power at all, but the

military capacity remains.
It has been generally assumed that the death of communism as an aggressive revolutionary ideology means the end of any Soviet military threat. That is not a safe assumption. We shall not know about that until the present phase of anarchy is over until new power structures have emerged capable of exercising effective authority in the sphere of the nuclear weaponry, and until we know in what spirit this authority will be exercised.

The new rulers will perhaps show themselves as conciliatory and pacifist as Mr Gorbachev. We must all hope so. But I fear the odds are against this. Competition for power under conditions nf anarchy is a kind of accelerated natural selection within the pol-itical order. The winners are likely to be tough people, willing to rule by fear, in accordance with Russian tradition. They will have an authoritarian ideology, appro-priate to their character and situation. We shall he lucky if the new regime is not more dangerous than post-Stalin communism was The new rulers will want to fill

the new rivers will want to his the shops as quickly as they can. Among their few "assets" are those nuclear weapons. Could those assets, and the fear they inspire in neighbouring nations, be used to fill the shops? Nuclear blackmail will certainly be among the possibilities considered by the type of new ruler likely to emerge. Germany is the most likely primary target of blackmail. It has already paid Moscow a considerable sum for reunification.

Nobody can yet see what forms the interaction between the new Germany and the new Russia will take, but it would be foolish to deny that there are some un-pleasant possibilities. That nice Mr Gorbachev will not be around much longer, and that nice Mr Kohl may oot long survive him. This train of thnught suggests

that Mrs Thatcher's political in-stincts are right when she resists proposals tending towards a federal Europe. We would be wise ant to rush anything until we have a better idea of which way Russia is going. The enormous questioomark over the future of Russia puts a smaller, but still sizeable, questinn-mark nver Germany too. An integrated European Community presided over (in effect) by Chancellnr Kohl is one thing; an integrated Europe dominated by a Germany under pressure from the East might be more constricting, to put it mildly.

Whatever happens next week, history. She has made mistakes. the biggest being the poll tax, but I believe that history will vindicate her cautinus approach to European unity.

Ronald Butt urges Mrs Thatcher to clear the way for Hurd or Major

She is wrong to fight on

denied her outright victory and forced to a second beliet. Although she has a clear lead over Mr Heseltine in absolute terms, she has not, in the tortured leadership election procedure the Tories have inflicted on themselves, secured the required 15 per cent margin of the total number of votes cast. She has immediately and unequivocally declared that she will fight on.

she will light on.

She has to be admired as a fighter who is particularly loath to cede the ground to this particular challenger. But the question she and nthers have to answer is whether Mr Heseltine is more likely to be prevented from taking over (with all the consequences for the property of the most feet) if European policy she most fears) if she tries to fight on or whether it would now be better for her to go and let another carry her banner. A deplorable humiliation has been inflicted on a prime minister of outstanding achievement, and the Conservatives are likely to regret it. They have good cause for

shame at the cavalier way in which a contest has been engineered so dangerously close to the coming general election when there is no clearly formulated issue on which the rival candidates stake their claims. If they succeed in driving Mrs Thatcher to the backbenches, Mr Heseltine and his backers have created a force for new dissent that may well divide the Thries disastrously in the event of an in-continent rush to European ecocomic unioo which threatens

political union as well. In all this, it is Mr Heseltine and his friends who have been the divisive influence, using rules of contest which were invented for the party in apposition and which should be changed.

The nnly positinn that makes sense under nur constitution is that the prime minister must be able to form and maintain a cabinet acceptable to his or her party and it is the cabinet as a whnle that is responsible to the House of Communs. The cabinet has remained loyal to Mrs Thatcher throughout this crisis. If she was to be called to account, they, whn continue to support her, should have been called to ac-count as well. This is a crisis that should oever have happened.

Nevertheless, the contest has happened, and Mrs Thatcher has been able to command the positive support of little more than half her backbenchers. The rest would prefer someone else but not all of them want Mr Heseltine. Quite apart from the abstainers, a number of Mr Heseltine's supporters yesterday seem likely to have voted for him simply to smoke out their preferred candidate in the second round. Some of Mrs Thatcher's supporters also can be assumed to wish that she had stood down before this, even though they were rightly disgusted by the manner of the challenge.

What the Conservative party now needs is healing and settling, and this will not be achieved by Mrs Thatcher's participation in a second ballnt that at best promises a victory which may only be marginal. If she were, after all, to stand aside she would not only avoid the possible humilatinn of defeat. She would also be able to release Douglas Hurd and John Major from their undertaking not to stand against her, to which sumably they will otherwise be honour bound in adhere. With her support, however, either could garner more vntes against Mr Heseltine than Mrs Thatcher could. Political logic therefore now suggests that Mrs Thatcher should free them from their commitment to her.

In the the second round she seems unlikely to achieve a majority large enough for her to be able to claim the full-hearted support of her party in Parliament. Before the first round, she seemed to have a substantial majority among Tory activists, but among Tory voters and potential vnters it is clear that she arouses a deep-rooted antipathy. She is blamed not only (and not unjustly since it was she who insisted nn it) for the poll tax, but also for the unsatisfactory condition of public services and for what has some wrong with the

On the last of these she herself has admitted that she erred in failing to tighten the lax financial policy pursued by Nigel Lawson in 1988. But, instead of confronting him in cabinet to get an agreed policy, she purveyed criticisms of his policy informally through the media, seriously damaging finan-



cial confidence in the government's policy.

This was nnly one instance of her tendency to go it alone in her relations to the cabinet and in the formatioo of policy. The last and most damaging was the episode which precipitated Sir Geoffrey Howe's resignation and provided the pretext for Mr Heseltine's

All this has been the con-sequence of her failure at manmanagement. Nicholas Ridley fault. It really does matter that in a cabinet all should say (and mean) the same thing.

ven if Mrs Thatcher wins the second ballot it seems inconceivable that she could heal the wounds that have been inflicted on the party. Nor is it likely that she could express British policy for Europe in terms that promote rather than frustrate the ends of British national parliamentary accountability which is so close in her heart. In dnmestic policy, is it believable that she could bring herself to acknowledge that the poll tax requires much more radical change than any so far contemplated? Above all, could she be brought to see that consensus is not (as she thinks) a cloak to cover lack nf agreement but a way nf securing policy on which coherent actinn is possible?

She draws an analogy with religinus leaders' avoidance of consensus, but the religious absolutes by which St Paul de-nunced the immorality of the Corinthians are irrelevant to the pragmatic processes by which politicians have tn try to reconcile

their disagreement over ways and means, as distinct from principles. The logic of the situation is therefore clear. She should think again and let the Conservatives find a new leader in take them forward to the general election, nne who can guard the democratic and parliamentary national ac-countability which she has set herself to guard in the dev-elopment of the European Community. She is in a strong position to influence the choice of that

On the backbenches she would be the much needed champinn nf this cause whom the government would have to take into account in its policy-making on Europe. If she insists on standing, then Mr Hurd and Mr Major (even if they feel bound not to stand against her) are entitled to tell her they no longer feel able to serve with her. That woold be a grave decision, but it could come to that.

If, after all, she were to stand aside with dignity oow, sparing the party more fighting that will tear it apart, this would not be the least of the many services she has dnoe

Tsars of the arts face a peasant revolt

ho runs the arts in Britain? Much the same crowd that ran the arts 12 years ago, before Mrs Thatcher came to power: the same cosy cultural taste since 1945.

The Arts Council, a selfperpetuating oligarchy, decides how to carve up £200 million of public subsidy, Fewer than 50 television producers and a handful of high-profile presenters control the arts diet of the armchair audience. A similar-sized clite nf record company executives shapes. the listening, viewing and spending habits of a vast, passive army nf youthful consumers that lacks the gumptinn to attempt an

adolescent rebellion. This is no conspiracy theory: the paternalistic "we know what is good for you" doctrine of benign hberalism has steered Britain towards a richer post-war cultural life than we probably deserve for the mnucy we pay. Nevertheless, the arts establishment would

benefit from a thorough shake-up. "Change, in the Arts, is nearly always good," wrote Gavin Ewart in his satire, A New Poet Arrives. He was being ironic, his poem implies that change in the arts does not matter a damn, because it does not alter the status quo in the

Richard Morrison, arts editor, welcomes the new funding plans that will transfer power from London to the regions

many "really important things" have changed under Mrs Thatcher's government, the arts hierarchy continues to operate within much the same insular groups. In the 1980s, ordinary citizens could buy a voice in the running of British Gas or Telecom; they could have a say in the running of their children's schools. But they never came within a mile of influencing the process which decides that, for instance, the Royal Shakespeare Company should receive the amount it does,

or spend it on the plays it does. In some respects, the govern-ment has been unlucky with the attempts it has made to open up the system. Encouraging business sponsorship of the arts, for in-stance, should in theory have brought arts organisations into stimulating contact with refreshingly different values. In practice, however, the business world has been so wary of interfering with that mystical concept called artistic freedom that most sponsors never set foot inside the theatre during rehearsals, for fear of compromising the actors' integ-

rity. There is no dialogue, except on the level of "Hnw much money do you want, and how big a programme credit do I get?"

Elsewhere, projects that offer early promise of an alternative culture seem inexorably to be sucked into the mainstream. Perhaps the necessity of improving its ratings led Channel 4 away from its quirky, iconoclastic approach to arts programmes and back into BBC 2-style respectability, or perhaps its commissioning editors became stuck with their once-fresh ideas. Either way, Channel 4 is not the conduit for imaginative cul-

tural programmes that it once was. We should also regret the passing of the "indie" record labels. Each time a gallant minnow such as Island Records is consumed by a whale such as Polygram, consumer choice is diminished. And each time a British film director gives up the demoralising task of raising fi-nance for a production in Britain, and accepts instead the carrots dangled by a Japanese-owned Hollywood, consumer choice is

Such moves in the commercial world may be regretted, but they are understandable, perhaps inevitable. In the privileged world of arts subsidy, however, there is no excuse for not having greatly diversified opinions reflected in the main decision-making process. What causes the narrowness. is fear: the fear that if the

controlling elite is widened too

was right to liken the challenge to

her to a medieval palace revolu-

tion. But such revolutions almost

invariably happened when a king

failed to consult men who consid-

ered themselves his natural

counsellors (equivalent to the

counsellors (equivalent to the cabinet today), preferring instead the Bushys, Bagots and Greens who, though nnt always oegligible figures had nnly the status of personal adherents and disciples. Mrs Thatcher's period as prime

minister has not been free of this

much, crass funding choices will endanger centres of excellence. Now the government is at last bringing a velvet-covered sledge-hammer to bear on that allpowerful consensus of taste: a. weapon called devolution, which will mean that most decisions are taken not by the Arts Council but by regional arts boards around the country. Predictably enough, some arts organisations are already protesting, but I detect the unpleasant whine of metropolitan snobbishness in this

scaremongering. Yes, there are dangers and unhappy precedents. In the notorious heyday of the Greater London Arts Association, what was perceived as the Arts Council's "white middle-class" bias was countered with a Stalinist zeal. Yes, there are local authorities so stingy about money for the arts that they do not deserve represen-But the boards must shame them into parting with the cash.

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Yes, there are councillors who will insist on having the national anthem played at every concert by the orchestra they subsidise (it happened in a south coast resort a few years ago); and yes, there will probably be people sitting on the reginnal arts boards whn have never seen a Mnnet close up, or heard a lute recital, or watched a single scene of Howard Brenton. The arts will be fought over, and that is no bad thing.

Better this than the furtive

behind-closed-doors odour which seeps from the Arts Council when it decides that, for example, one valuable touring npera company should be unceremoniously axed. while others may run up deficits of millings. The most exciting arts initiatives to Britain today emanate from Glasgow and Birming-bam, cities that were cultural jokes ten years ago. Such regeneration shows what those patronised as "local folk" can do. London has been allowed in run with the ball for too long; it is time for other players to demonstrate their flair.

...and moreover

CRAIG BROWN

Bury St Edmunds is the most reassuring of towns. It is not a place where ward with a certain apprehenfashions come and go; they come, find themselves a quiet nook, and settle. In the rest of the country, the

hippies of 1968 have gone underground, or rather overground. Their beards have been shaved, their T-shirts have grown collars: even their flares have gone straight. In sensible jobs now, their attendance on the alternative society is restricted to the occasinnal purchase of a Picador paperback.

But in Bury St Edmunds, von can still catch sight of unreconstructed hippies - beads, moccasins and joss-sticks at the ready - still mooching through "The Doors of Perception" and Kahlil Gibran. Those conspiracy theorists whn believe that Jim Morrison never died may find it worth checking the place out any entrepreneur wishing to print some "Jim Morrison Lives in Bury St Edmunds" Tshirts could well find he has hit the nail on the head. In Andy's Records in St John's Street, where the hippy preference for Christian names still holds firm, you will find Morrison records listed under "J" for Jim, just as Wagner is listed under "R".

Fashions that could be bothered to hang around Cheisea only for a matter of months find Bury St Edmunds a refuge from the fickleness of time. Here, Tories still wear tweeds, bikers still wear leathers and marketstall holders still speak gibberish. Wither the winklepicker, the bowler hat, the hipster, the platform heel? What of kipper ties, cravats, Lurez socks, plusfours? And, most important of all, whatever became of slacks? Ynu will find each of them somewhere on the streets of Bury St Edmunds. I wouldn't be at all surprised to find them all attached to the same person.

rubbing along together merrily. On Monday, my wife was admitted to the maternity wing of the hospital at Bury St. Edmunds. She is expecting a baby in a matter of days, and they are keen to monitor her blood pressure. Our first child was born there just over two years ago. I can think of few

sion, and a dread kindled by memories of going back to the prep-school dormitory: this is your bed, this is your locker, this is the board no which to stick your photos from home.

When we were first shown to my wife's bed in the corner of the ward, I couldn't resist a snoop at the photos on the board of the bed next to hers. There were three photos: a punk emerging from a caravan, the same punk, this time with a ferret hanging around his neck, and a large dog, probably an Alsatian, glaring into the middle distance. Even the most avantgarde of my fellow inmates at prep-school was unable to sport

family photographs of such As my wife tried to get herself comfortable, the occupant of the next bed arrived back, hand in hand with the punk. As is de rigueur for Bury St Edmunds, he was a true punk, not a revitalised or a reconstructed punk, not even a nostalgic punk, but an original 1977 punk with a mobican baircut and bright red tartan trousers replete with chains, as innocent of archness and as redolent of a bygone age as the most redoubt-

able Chelsea Pensioner. There had, it emerged, been a bit of trouble, and the punk was asked to report to an administrator. It seemed that, dogs being barred from the wards, he had left his Alsatian tied in a post just outside the hospital and someone had ventured rather too close. Whether that person had been bitten or merely been snapped at seemed a moot point; either way, he was creating a fuss.

Somewhat to my surprise, the whole ward sided with the punk and his Alsatian: "Silly to have come close - deserves everything be got - some people make a fuss about anything," was the general verdict. In Bury St Edmunds, just as punks are expected to be punks and hippies are expected to be hippies, so Alsatians are fully expected to be Aisatians. Nevertheless, I think I detected a twinge of worry about the exact cheerier, more friendly places in whereabouts of the ferrer.

"really important things". While

Just too matey

with Thatcher

T mmediately after the vote was counted last night, Mrs That-cher's campaign manager, George Ynunger, was flying to Edinburgh to face criticism at a board meeting today of the Royal Bank of Scotland, of which be is chairman, for tying his colours so firmly in her mast.

With support for the government running at scarcely 20 per cent north of the border, Younger's role can hardly have enhanced the bank's public image there. Even more embarrassingly, the bank's stand on European integration is more akin to Michael Heseltine's than Mrs Thatcher's. It displayed its EC solidarity by taking a major shareholding in the Banco Santander of Spain. A spokesman for the Royal Bank of Scotland says: "We would have preferred the leadership election not to have hap-pened, if only for the reason that George Younger would not have been involved."

Althnugh Younger ran Mrs Thatcher's campaign against Sir Anthony Meyer last year, his position then as merely a director nf the bank was less sensitive. Subsequently, however, he became deputy chairman in January and then chairman in July. Although it was accepted that he would still perform his constituency and parliamentary duties as MP for Ayr (where he sits on a precarious majority of 182), the bank did oot expect him to play a high-profile party political role. In September, during the up-heavals in the Tory party in Scotland, he was asked if he would

consider succeeding Michael Forsyth as chairman. He declined. And less than two weeks ago be told journalists he would not run the prime minister's campaign against Heseltine. Mrs Thatcher however, can be a very persuasive

Perhaps it was knowledge of the music be is about to face in Edinburgh that caused Younger to be so coy yesterday when asked for whom he had voted. "I cannot possibly tell you that," he replied.

• When Mrs Thatcher instructed Peter Morrison, her PPS, to cast her vote by proxy yesterday, just whom did she tell him to vote for? The question is not entirely facetious. In 1971. John Gorton, then Australian prime minister, faced a leadership ballot among his fellow Liberal MPs. Deciding he had become a liability, he voted against himself - and lost by just one vote. "I had to save the government from possible defeat," he said by way of explanation.

Part of the job

he favourites have withdrawn from a contest tonight to earn the title of Britain's best bluffers. A team of MPs was set to do battle with teams of financiers, barristers, vicars, ballet dancers and publishers in the first annual Perudo tournament at the Groucho Club in Soho. The traditional dice game from the street corners of Peru in which the winners are those who can carry off the biggest lie seemed a natural for the MPs. many of whom have excelled themselves in recent days by pledging support to the campaign managers of both Margaret Thatcher and Michael Heseltine, so



diminished

that if the canvass returns were to be believed, a near-150 per cent turn out would have been

A team from Parliament was duly entered, hut it was withdrawn sterday. A spokeswoman for the organisers says: "The leadership election has just been too much for them. It's a shame because we thought they had a very good chance." The new favourites are the vicars.

Snow on their pumps

he Russians may have pulled out of Eastern Europe, but they are fast invading that bastion of British culture, the Royal Ballet. Increasingly the spotlight at Covent Garden is falling on Soviet rather than home-grown talent, and the trend seems to have proved too much for one of the company's principal male dancers, Phillip Broomhead. After the annuncement of the departure of senior principal Wayne Eagling to the Dutch National Ballet, Broomhead is leaving for Houston. Texas, after more than a decade

company.

with the Royal Opera House Covent Garden will not confirm

that his departure is connected with the hiring of a succession of Soviet guest stars, but it is clear that Broomhead's chances of dancing lead roles have been diminished. This summer, Covent Garden trumpeted the arrival of Irek Mukhamedov as a permanent member of the company from the Bolshoi, while on Friday, Alexei Fadeyechev will be welcomed to the stage, again borrowed from the Bolshoi.

Going by the book corge Carey, soon to be-

cinme Archbishop of Canterbury, has become one of Britain's most wanted men. Since his appointment was announced in July, he has given interviews to those writing personal profiles but has refused to divulge his thoughts on theology



and the future of the church. "This is not the right moment to ask such questions, says his press nfficer, the Rev Brian Pearson, "Dr Carey feels that these issues should be addressed to the current

archbishop. He will deal with them only after he is enthroned." In tactics worthy of the royal ratpack, one enterprising journalist got nearer than most of his rivals by hitching a 120-mile lift in Dr Carey's car and leaving his tape recorder running. Others scribble fininusly in the pews of parish churches as Carey goes around the country preaching "I suppose it's one way to boost our . congregations," says Pearson,

• Mrs Thatcher can enjoy at least the consolation after last night's vote. She can at long last apply for membership of the Canservative club in Michael Heseltine's Henley constituency. The club, one of the two remaining Tory social clubs in England to operate a men-only policy, voted last week to upen its doors to women, but only to enjoy a drink or a meal. Women remain banned from both the dart board and the snooker room,

Figure this out

Thatcher's stature remains undiminished in America, where rows about Europe find little resonance. In a mock leadership bailot held among Republican party members in Chicago, she scored a resounding 93 per cent of the vote. But, in the true spirit of Chicago politics, the result did nnt add up. Michael Heseltine scored 16 per cent and Cnlio Moynihan (don't ask who put his name forward, or hnw the Chicagoans had come to hear of him) managed 7 per cent. Joseph Morris, the ballot organiser, who held junior office in the Reagan administration, was disappointed by the turn-out. "Well short of Chicago's customary 130 per cent," he laments.

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Senators in defiant fight to save their reputations

From Peter Stothard, us editor, in washington

TO THE pleasure of millions special counsel for the ethics of Americans, who love to see committee. the mighty fall, five of Washin detail how the five had accepted more than \$1 million televised trip into the mire. (£507,000) in campaign funds from Mr Keating while exerting the senate ethics committee today in gressure on federal bank-ing regulators on his behalf. continues the most complex investigation in its history.

Charles Keating, a finan-cier, aimed high when he chose his friends on Capitol Hill in the early 1980s. Alan Cranston, John Glenn, John McCain, Dennis DeConcini and Donald Riegle, all sen-ators, had between them made two bids for the presidency, endured imprisonment and torture in Vietnam, flown the first American orbit around the Earth and won reputations for excessive smartness in a town where everyone likes to he thought smart.

The five were soon to share another claim to fame, the selling of their high offices to a man involved in the world's largest banking fraud, according to Robert Bennett, the

Burmese winners 'jailed'

Bengkok - Burma's military rulers have jailed two leaders of the opposition party that won May's general elections but has been prevented from taking office, a source said

The source said that a military tribunal had jailed Kyi Maung and Chit Khaing of the National League for Democracy for 10 years. Most of the rest of the party's leadership is also under arrest. (AP)

Child curfew

Atlanta - America's crime capital has imposed the city's strictest curiew since 29 children were murdered in the early 1980s, threatening to jail parents of youngsters caught on the street after hours. (AP)

Blast escape

Athens - Vardis Vardinoyannis, one of the richest dominated American electoral men in Greece, narrowly escaped death in a car bomb explosion when bad timing of the remote control mechanism triggered the explosion of two rockets moments after his specially reinforced limousine passed a parked vehicle.

Teachers out

r securit

Cairo - Sudan has ended the contracts of British teachers, saving that English was no longer a basic language in the country, Egypt's national news agency, MENA, said. The agency quoted the educarion minister as saying Sudan would review the use of

Wines launched Zurich - Swiss growers launched two new wines to mark the country's 700th anniversary next year, hoping to help pay for the celebrations. (Reuter)

ing regulators on his behalf.

Eventual reimbursement of federally insured depositors in Mr Keating's collapsed Lincoln Savings and Loan Company cost the taxpayer some \$2 billion, one of the highest single losses in America's \$500 billion S & L scandal. The popular opinion, according Howell Heflin, the ethics committee chairman is that to save the company.

custom to show it was their duty to remain incorruptible and also to avoid the appearance of being corrupt. He suggested that the Keating Five, especially Mr Cranston and Mr DeConcini, had failed to fulfil their daty.
The issue seemed faily sim-

ple at this stage. But when the five replied, apologia instead of apologies flowed. What is wrong with an intervention on behalf of someone who contributes to your campaign?" asked Senator DeConcini, a man with the steely smile of the young Frank Sinatra. "Nothing," he replied to his own question.

The five say, they have broken no rules by helping Mr Keating, because there are no rules. In a series of impassioned presentations, backed by Senator Riegle's tears, Senator Cranston's plea about his cancer treatment and Senator Glenn's outraged pomposity, the message was the same trust me. Senator DeConcini was prepared to admit he could have been mistaken.
"But I met Mother Teresa once," he said, "and the first thing she said to me was: 'How is my friend Charlie Keating?

As the scoators marshal their expensive teams of legal veterans from Iran-Contra and Watergate scandals, the fates of the accused have become entwined, however, with the reputation of the Senate and the prospects of reforming the whole money-

The defence used by the Keating Five has shed abnormally harsh light on what passes for business as usual among elected representatives. Senator DeConcini has boasted about his success in overturning Pentagon de-cisions on behalf of his local helicopter-maker (a generous campaign contributor) and farm subsidy cuts on behalf of his local farmers, among them

not last long. His first caller from Nashville said that his smugness was "absolutely appalling". "Shame on you all," said another. "Keating

Cult TV becomes

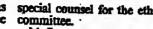
From Charles Bremner in New York

has glimpsed Twin Peaks, the cocentric television series, will know the question is hardly far-fetched. But beyond the sophisticated younger viewgothic imaginings of the ers. With an average of 27 other channels to chose from the American television business believe the Iraqi president may have hastened the shifting away from the big demise of the Twin Peaks cult. American viewers have

by the million in this, its self-mocking advertisements second scason, along with most of the other innovative utives plead with viewers to programmes launched this year amid a torrent of talk about new-wave television. The great turn-off of Twin

Peaks - now relegated to 75th place out of 101 evening programmes - is being partly attributed to its increasingly bizarre plot. But it is also said to be a victim of worry about war. With President Saddam and the sagging economy to think about, viewers are rushing back in the comfort of the old formulas of sitcom and

Only a few months ago, Brandon Tartiknff, the head of NBC programming, pronounced what he called the new credo of US television: Tried and true equals dead and buried." Twin Peaks, launched in April, led a pack in the White House.



the mighty fall, five of Washington's most powerful poliin detail how the five had

committee chairman, is that the senators were bribed to try

Mr Bennett drew on vol-umes of Senate lore and

DEOCCSS. big payers for his re-election

advertising.
Senator McCain, a former prisoner of war and perhaps the least implicated in the affair, was so confident after his initial testimony that he gave a televised phone-in interview. The confidence did was playing you all like puppets."

American turn-off

DID Saddam Hussein kill of quirky series which the big Laura Palmer? Anyone who three networks hoped would couch potatoes have been three for a decade.

At least Twin Peaks is still been abandoning Twin Peaks showing thanks, perhaps, to "save our jobs". Others in the genre dubbed "weirdo shows", such as Cop Rock and Hull High, have met the axe within the first few broadcasts:

However, at least publicly, the networks say they are convinced the future still lies with innovation because it is their only hope of wooing the affluent viewers who are most prized by the advertisers.

The big exception among the new-style shows has been The Simpsons, the quirky cartoon show broadcast by Fox, the fledgeling fourth network. Despite its health, ABC and CBS are growing nervous about their next avant-garde nfferings: adult cartoons featuring, among other things, wisecracking rodents who live



Ladies in waiting: Vietnamese women waiting to welcome Indonesia's President Sukarto to Hanoi, the first visit by a South-East Asian non-communist leader since

Modern miss succumbs to comradeship

attic, dusted it off and are and mixing up of black and starting a "Just call me Com- white in ideology." starting a "Just call me Comrade" campaign.

"When the going gets tough, Comrade can bring you strength; when you face obstacles. Comrade can give you confidence and wisdom," according to "Ode to Comrade", a punchy little article in the People's Daily. Weary of four decades of political wordplay, most Chinese are simply rolling their eyes in response.
"Why should we want to

weaken or discard the respectful term comrade that our revolutionary forefathers gave their lives for?" asked the "Ode's" author, a retured communist party member who protests: "I think it's glorious to be called Comrade". Another People's Daily article yesterday criticised the use of the bourgeois term "miss" for women, which has been in rogue since the early 1980s comrade lacked the human touch. "How you address someone is a sensitive and important moral and ideologi-cal issue," said the paper.

IN THEIR latest attempt to "One cannot forget that the turn back the political clock, term 'miss' flooded into the China's ageing leaders have mainland during a time of dragged "comrade" out of the confusion of right and wrong

During the Cultural Revolution, if you called a woman "miss", she'd have punched ynn. Nowadays "comrade" just makes young people people giggle. Last week, relevision and

radin announcers were told to clean up their act, cut out "Hello, friendly viewers", and replace it with an earnest "Hello, comrades". "After all, how can you tell whether all your viewers are your friends?" asked the People's

The first time a TV announcer attempted comrade, he collapsed laughing.

"I can't remember when anyone last called me com-rade," said one waitress, more accustomed to being addressed as "miss".

In the Song dynasty, miss used to mean concubine, and when people began to feel that it still carries a slightly flirta-comrade lacked the human tious undertone. "Middletious undertone. aged women don't like to be called 'miss'," said one man, 'they think you're laughing at

Manila oil blast foiled

From VAUDINE ENGLAND IN MANILA

AN attempt to blow up key oil supplies near President Aquino's palace was foiled when painters at the Shell oil depot here found a cache of

explosives. The 139 sticks of dynamite and other explosives were found under a jetty at Shell's largest depot in the country. If they had been detonated, milions of gallons of oil would have gone up in flames, which would have spread to the two naistheans oil detects of neighbouring oil depots of Caltex and the state oil firm, Petron. Five hundred yards away, across the Pasig River, the Malacanang, the presiden-tial palace, could also have been damaged, together with a chemicals plan near by. A senior Shell executive

described the bombing attempt as a "major escalation" in violent attacks in the capital, beralding destabilisation efforts of a beralding "new proportion". Police defused the explosives, described by industry sources as of "military-type". It is feared that more similar explosives caches are already

in place elsewhere in Manila. The military also said yesterday that it had uncovered what could be a coup attempt, planned for the first or second

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 20: The Earl of Airlie (Lord Chamberlain) had an audience of The Queen and presented an Address from the House of Lords to which Her

Majesty was graciously pleased to make usply.

His Excellency Pengiran Haji Mustapha was received in andience by The Queen and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Commission as High Commissioner for Brunei Darussalam in Loudon

Darussalam in Loudon.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following members of the High Commission:
Pengiran Haji Yunus (First Secretary), Colonel Pehin Dato Haji Hussin (Defence Adviser), Mr Murad Haji Paijan (Second Secretary), Miss Rakish Haji Lamit (Second Secretary), Mr Haji Razak Bongsu (Third Secretary, Recruitmen/Training), Pengiran Bakar (Third Secretary, Finance), Pengiran Haji retary, Fmance), Pengiran Haji Kamaruddin (Third Secretary, Protocol) and Mr Ismi Hamid (Attaché, Education). Hajjah Norfishah Jirim was

also received by Her Majesty.
Sir Parrick Wright (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) was present and the Household in Waiting were in

attendance.

The Queen, Colonel-in-Chief, 16th/5th The Queen's Royal Lancers, received Brigadier John Pownall upon relinquishing his appointment as Colonel, 16th/5th The Queen's Royal Lancers, and Major-General Alastair Dennis upon assuming the tempiriment

The Queen held a Council at 12.40pm.

12.40pm.
There were present: the Right
Hon John MacGregor, MP
(Lord President), the Right Hon
Michael Howard, MP (Secretary
of State for Employment), the
Right Hon Christopher Patten,
MP (Secretary of State for the
Environment), and the Right
Hon Kenneth Baker, MP (Chancellor of the Duehy of
Lancaster).

Mr Geoffrey de Deney was in attendance as Clerk of the Council. The Right Hon John MacGregor, MP, had an audi-ence of Her Majesty before the

The Queen, Patron, this evening attended a concert in aid of the Musicians Benevolent Fund given by the English National Orchestra and Chorus at the Royal Albert Hall.

Her Majesty was received by Sir Ian Hunter (Chairman of the Royal Concert Committee).
The Countess of Airlie, Mr
Robin Janvrin and Wing Commander David Walker, RAF,

BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 20: The Princess Royal, Patron, the British Nutrition Foundation, attended the Annual Lunch followed by the Annual Lecture at the Royal
College of Physiciaos of
London, Regents Park and was
received on arrival by the
Mayor of Camden (Councillor
Mayor of Camden (Councillor
Royal
Commander Roger Walker,
RN, was in attendance.
The Duchess of Kent, Patron,

ness, Patron, College of Occupa-tional Therapists, attended a presentation, reception and dinner at Buckingham Palace.
The Princess Royal was at-tended by the Hon Mrs Legge-

KENSINGTON PALACE November 20: The Prince of Wales, Patron, Royal Society for Nature Conservation, opened

at The Green, Witham Park,

Subsequently His Royal Highness opened the Lincoln Magistrates Courts. Finally The Prince of Wales opened the Lawn Complex and attended the English Historic

Towns Forum.
His Royal Highness was re-ceived by Her Majesty's Lord cant for Lincolnshire (Captain Henry Nevile). Commander Richard Aylard, RN, and Commander Alistair Watson, RN, were io

The Princess of Wales visited Omerod School for Physically Handicapped Children, Oxford, Subsequently Her Royal Highness opened the Magnetic Resonance Imaging Centre, John Radcliffe Hospital. This afternoon The Princess of Wales visited the Deaf and

Hard of Hearing Centre, Oxford

Subsequently Her Royal Highness opened Vale House, the Botley Alzheimers Home. Finally The Princess of Wales visited a Thames Valley Police Special Interview Suite in North

Her Royal Highness was re-ceived by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Oxfordshire (Sir Ashley Ponsonby, Bt).
Mrs James Lonsdale and
Squadron Leader David Barton, RAF, were in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE

November 20: The Princee Mar-Colonel-in-Chief The Royal
Highland Fusiliers (Princess
Margaret's Own Glasgow and
Ayrshire Regiment) today received Licotenant-Colonel
David Hills on rainguishing him David Hills on relinquishing his

Officer, 1st Battalion.
Her Royal Highness also received Lieutenant-Colonel Alan
Roberts on assuming this

KENSINGTON PALACE November 20: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, today visited Derby and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieuten-aut for Derbyshire (Colonel

Peter Hilton).
In the morning Her Royal
Highness opened the new offices
of the Derbyshire Family Health
Services Authority, Derwent
Court, Stuart Street, and subsequently was present at a luncheon for St John Am-bulance at the Midland Hotel, In the afternoon, Princes

Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, visited Rolls-Royce ple oo the occasion of the 80th Anniversary at Moor Lane, Derby. Mrs Michael Harvey was in

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE November 20: The Duke of Kent, President of the Business

and Technician Education Council, this afternoon attended

today visited the Yehudi Menu-hin School, Cobham, Surrey. Mrs Peter Troughton was in

attendance. Her Royal Highness, Patron of the Arthritis and Rheu-matism Council for Research, this evening attended the Lantern Ball at the London Hilton, Mrs David Napier was in

Mr C.C.D. Haswell

and Miss S.C. Folkes

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.K.G. Aronsson and Miss M.E. Carter-The engagement is announced the engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr A.H. Aronsson and the late Mrs S.L.M. Aronsson, and Mary, daughter of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Duncan Carter-Camp-bell of Possil, OBE, and of Mrs Duncan Carter-Campbell.

Dr R.J. Bale and Miss G.M. Lyne The engagement is announced between Robert, elder son of Mr John Bale and Mrs Anne Bale, John Base and Mrs Anne Base, of Cranleigh, Surrey, and Gina, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Lyne, of Rathdonnell, Trentagh, Co Donegal. Mr N.E.G. Clowes

and Miss M.C. Fleming
The engagement is announced
between Nigel Edward Garfit, between Nigel Edward Garfit, younger son of the late Major Edward Garfit Clowes, MBE, and of Mrs Edward Garfit Clowes, of Glade Lodge, Kingswood, Surrey, and Miranda Caroline, younger daughter of Mr John Fleming, of Saltham Grange, Runcton, Chichester, Sussex, and of Mrs Paul Simms, of Birdeage House, Midhurst, Sussex.

Sussex.

Mr J.M. Dingemans
and Miss J.E. Griffiths
The engagement is announced
between James, son of Rear
Admiral and Mrs Peter
Dingemans, of Walderton, West
Sussex, and Janet, daughter of
the Rev and Mrs Harvey Grifths, of Wallington, Hannshire. fiths, of Wallington, Hampshire. and Miss A.L. Ball

and Miss A.L. Ball
The engagement is announced
between Andrew, only son of Mr
and Mrs R.J.L. Eccleston, of
Whitchurch, Shropshire, and
Amanda, elder daughter of Mr
and Mrs M.R. Ball, of Hamp-

and Corinna, daughter of Mr R. Rendell, of Wanborongh, Surrey, and Mrs M. Rendell, of

Major and Mrs Haswell, of Lyminge, Kent, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs P.M.D. Folkes, of Abbotts Aon, Flampshire. Mr J.J.D. Scarlett and Miss N.J. Wayman

The engagement is announced between Dominic, elder son of Mr and Mrs James Scarlett, of Sevenhamptoa, Gloucester-shire, and Nancy, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs John Wayman, of Torquay,

Mr T.L. Murray Threipland and Miss T.G. Robertson
The engagement is announced between Tim, elder son of Mr and Mrs David Murray Threipland, of Henllys, Velindre, Crymych, Dyfed, Wales, and Tania, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Robertson of 31 Denoer Peter Robertson, of 31 Dancer Road, London, SW6.

Mr D.M.C. Rathbone and Miss J. Blinston The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs Brian Rathbone, of Southwater, Sussex, and Julie, daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Blinston, nf Manchester, Lancashire.

Mr M.R. Tydeman and Miss V.L. Hodgson The engagement is announced between Mark, youngest son of Mr and Mrs K.W. Tydeman, of wir and Mis K.W. 19deman, of Sydney, Australia, and Victoria, younger daughter of the late Mr Christopher Hodgson and of Mrs Andrew Forbes, of West

Dr J.M. Gilligan
and Miss C.M.G. Rendell
The engagement is announced
between Jonathan, son of Mr
and Mrs W.D. Gilligan, of Bath,
O'Wing Commander and Mrs
D.W.T. Withers, of Guildford, D.W.T. Withers, of Guildford,

Surrey, and Jacqueline, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J.G. Edgar, of Redhill, Surrey.

College of Occupational Therapists

The Princess Royal, Patron of present were: the College of Occupational Therapists, hosted a presenta-tion and dinner at Buckingham Palace in connection with the Disability Information and Study Centre Appeal. The speakers included Mr Jackie Stewart, Professor Bryan Jennett, Professor Sidney Wat-kins, Mr Andrew Burns and Mr Jeffrey Rose. Among those

present weter.

Ar and Mrs Derek Barron. Mr and
Mrs William Stillingham, Mr Robert
Burness and the Hoa Mrs Burness, Atr
Cotumodore Geoffrey Claridge, Mr
and Mrs Tona Cowie. Mr and Mrs
Enuvaluel Davidson, Mr and Mrs
Hugh Davies Mr and Mrs Baul
Dawson. Sir Evelyn and Ledy de
Rothschild, Sir James and Lady
Dunctas. Mrs Heiga Dusavizar, Mr and
Mrs Golin P. Ellis, Mr and Mrs Abdul
El Mayer, Mr and Mrs Gorego
Caruzzo. Professor Shetia Jemett, Sir
Art. Mrs Sosan Waldins and Mr and
Mrs Golin Chand.

OBITUARIES

THE REV DR JOHN HUXTABLE

The Rev Dr John Huxtable, first moderator of the United Reformed Church, died on November 16 aged 78. He was born on July 25, 1912.

JOHN Huxtable was an eloquent and much loved free church leader, who was the first moderator of the United Reformed Church when it came into being in 1972. For this he received doctorates of divinity from both Aberdeen and the Archbishop of Canter-bury, Dr Ramsey. With Ramsey he also had a fruitful relationship during the crowning phase of his life's work, when from 1975 to 1978 he was executive officer of the Chnrehos' Unity Commission, whose 10 point programme became the basis for wide ranging discussions on the question of unity between church denominations in this country.

William John Fairchild Huxtable was born in Sussex, but in all but his birthplace he was a west country man, educated at Barnstaple Grammar School; Western College, Bristol; and Bristol University. After further study at Mansfield College, Oxford, and St Catherine's College, he returned to Devon as minister of the Congregational church at Newton Abbot. There he met and married Joan Snow. who was to be a superb support to him in all his

After Devon he was always based in London and faced a succession of demanding tasks. In 1942 he became minister at Palmers Green. It was a large church, but facing the rigours of war. It quickly became clear that a pulpit voice of great distinction had been added to the denomination. The church grew in the post-war years and Huxtable moved to the central councils of the denomination.

He had been much influenced by the principals of his successive theological colleges, R. S. Franks and Nashare the classic Congrega-reduced numbers offering surmounting the hurdles and He leaves his widow, tional position of men like themselves for ordination did it was in tribute to his a son and two daughters.



Micklem, Whale and Manning. He was in firm revolt against what he judged to be the theological excesses of the pungency and forthrightness. But his personal warmth, symbolised by a glorious and explosive laugh, rapidly dis-

In 1954 he was appointed Congregational theological college in Hampstead. Ho was not a pure scholar as were his predecessors, but to his able and informed mind was added

not fail to attract students He was chairman of the Congregational Union of Eng-land and Wales in 1962-63, ultra-independent and liberal and a year later was the school of his denomination, unanimous choice of the This made him for a while a nominating committee for the confroversial figure. He ex- key position of secretary (later pressed himself with some minister-secretary) of the minister-secretary) of union which was later renamed "Church". Administration was not really his forte, but leadership was. His unflagging zeal for unity led his church into the first interprincipal of New College, the confessional union in British church history when the Congregational Church of England

and Wales was united in October 1972 with the Presbyterian Church of England. proven ontstanding ability in Throughout the nine years of the work of the ministry for joint conversations which prewhich he was preparing stu- ceded the union Huxtable had thaniel Micklem. He came to dents. His college in a day of played a leading role in

came the first moderator of the new reformed church. After this and his two years as joint general secretary of

ecumenical work that he be-

the new church, in 1975 he became executive officer of the Churches' Unity Commission, to which all the main denominations in England, except the Orthodox church, belonged. This initiated wide ranging discussions between the main churches to produce 10 propositions which it was hoped might form the basis for agreement on a united church. In the event the commission's work was frustrated by the inadequate majority gained in the house of clergy of the general synod of the Church of England for such a covenant, but it represented strenuous effort by Huxtable and other ecumenists. As far as free church thinkers were concerned, the role of the episcopacy as it is variously understood in the Church of England and in the Roman Catholic church was in its hierarchical nature hardly compatible with the type of ministry which had developed in the free churches, and this would have proved a major stumbling Huxtable had held many

the heart of the gospel.

other offices - vice-president of the British Council of Churches, moderator of the Free Church Federal Council and vice-president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches among them. Some of his colleagues regretted that his ecumenical work, with its endless to-ing and fro-ing between conference venues. prevented him from doing much more of what he did best - preaching. In the pulpit he had great distinction of utterance and a power of conveying profound truths with a deceptive simplicity. His sermons reflected the man, large-hearted, affectionate and deeply devoted to

He leaves his widow, Joan,

LIEUT-COL SIR CYRIL HANCOCK

Lieutenant Colonel Sir Cyril Hancock, KCIE, OBE, MC, oldest survivor of the British Indian Political Service, died on November 6 aged 94. He Bombay political department tion of a senior political officer was born at Amreli in the and served for two years as who was appointed by the Bombay Presidency on September 18, 1896.

standing connection with Gujarat and Kathiawar, Cyril Hancock's father and grand-Bombay political department; his great grandfather was a general in the Bombay army of the East India Company. Cyril Educated at Wellington he went straight from Sandhurst to the Indian Army soon after the outbreak of the first world war. Commissioned into the 114th Mahrattas (a regiment in which he always took an inordinate pride), he served The engagement is announced between Charles, younger son of with them in Mesopotamia

Today's royal

Portrait Gallery at 2.30.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen
Mother will lunch with the
Collegiate Body of Westminster

engagements

as 7.30.

12.45.

3.15.

Coaches annual luncheor

new sixth form buildings at Chederit School, Middleton

Cheney, Northamptonshire, at

The Duchess of Gloucester will

visit the annual Christmas fair at Kensington Town Hall at 2.00 in aid of the Greater London Fund for the Blind.

The Duke of Kent, as Chairman of the National Electronics Council, will preside at the

annual meeting and will attend

the Mountbatten memorial lec-ture and reception at the Institu-

oon of Electrical Engineers at

The Princess Royal is to be

President of the University of London Polo Club.

Polo princess

battle against the Turks 1918 had proved a grossly Delhi, he was promoted resculminating in the capture of extravagant ruler. In 1928 he ident at Calcutta of the East-Baghdad.

assistant private secretary to viceroy as Dewan (prime min-THE Hancocks had a long Delhi on the staff of the For the next six years, assisted viceroy, Lord Reading. By by a handful of officials, he now the Bombay politicals was the virtual ruler of an had been integrated into the Indian State of half a million variety of field sports and father had been officers of the Indian political service, which people, responsible for their ontdoor activities combetokened a wider range of activities. Starting with a tour of government. of duty in Kathiawar where he was assistant to a succession followed in their footsteps. of residents for the States of Western India, he was moved in the same capacity to Rajputana with its important states of Udaipur (whose ruler merited a 19 gun salute), Jaipur, Jodhpur and Bikaner (all rated at 17 guns). But Bharatpur, itself a 17 gun state, was in a parlous con-

After the war he joined the taken under the administrathe governor. Then followed a ister). At 38 Hancock became similar appointment at New Dewan of Bharatpur in 1932. well-being and all the business

> triumphed over all adver- Dulceosinhii. sities. When he came to leave in 1938, he handed over to the successor Maharajah (who as a minor had been educated in England) a state which could hold its own both economically and financially, and the

was exiled and Bharatpur was ern States. Finally, in 1945 he came home to the land of his forebears as resident of the. Kathiawar States and Baroda. India gained independence in 1947

Cyril Hancock was an able and conscientious political officer with a genuine love for mended him in particular to the Kathiawar princes whose In the event, his sense of ranks included such famous duty and strength of character names as Ranjitsinhji and In retirement over the next

33 years, Hancock refused to remain idle. He took successfully to pig and poultry farming, and then for 20 years he ran an angling club with a large membership on a chain He leaves two sons and

basin and establishing, the

forum, with its prime location.

as an improved public space

middle of the valley, and Dr

Ammerman calculates that

well over 10,000 cubic metres

This "vast amount of work

years to complete", he says. Since the establishment of

the forum was the crucial event to making early Rome a

formally planned community.

it would seem that the Eternal

City began a century or more

earlier, and under rulers

exercising more power, than

Source: American Journal of

The St Godric's College Old Students' Association Reunion will be beld at 5.30pm on Saturday, December 1, at the White House, 82 Fitzjohn's Avenue, London, NW3, 'All former students are welcome. Finduities to Mrs. Esticipt

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hitherto supposed.

would have been used.

PIERRE BRAUNBERGER

Pierre Braunberger, French Resistance and was impris-film producer, died in Paris on oned in a German concentra-tion camp. But he was back in born in Paris on July 29, 1905.

able. In the late 1920s he extensive production proehampioned the Parisian gramme. He even found time avant-garde, working with Jean Renoir, Rene Clair, Alberto Cavalcanti, Luis Bunuel and Salvador Dali, In the late 1940s he helped Alzin Resnais make his first short documentaries; 10 years later he served as godfather to other members of the nouvelle rague, Truffaut, Godard, Jean Rouch, and Chris Marker. From Clair's Entracte and Buile's Un Chien andalou to Godard's Vivre Sa Vic, wherever French cinema went, Braunberger was at the forefront, giving young talents their head. He was movie-mad from

childhood. In 1920, aged 15, he embarked audaciously on a

world tour of film centres.

gaining production experience in Germany, England and Hollywood. Returning to France in 1924, he worked for a time as Paramount's French publicity director. Then Jean Renoir beckoned. They met, it is said, one late afternoon, and continued talking cinema all through the night. The next day, Braunberger – barely 20 – took charge of Les Films Jean Renoir. They worked together on Nana (1926), based on Zola's novel, the military burlesque Tire Au Flanc (1928), the sombre drama La Chienne (1931), and the exquisite Une Partie de campagne, left unfinished in 1936. The two men were kindred spirits; indeed, if you placed a beret on the dumpy Brannberger, he could easily be mistaken for a character from one of Renoir's films.

As sound came in, Braunberger maintained a hectic pace. He mounted what was planned as France's first all-talking, all-singing feature, La Route est belle, though another film Les Trois Masques emerged first. He purchased the Billancourt film studios with Roger Richebe, re-vamped their technical facilities, opened a chain of cinemas and forged ahead with further productions. Some were bread-and-butter assignments; but there was nothing conventional about Buñuel and Salvador Dali's feature-length assault on society's sacred cows, L'Age d'or (1930), which scandalised audiences with its brazen anarchy and anti-cierical jibes. He continued to run Billancourt studios throughout the

1930s. The war interrupted Braunberger's activites. Ho vas an active member of the

full flow by 1945, establishing new distribution networks. PIERRE Braunberger's record building the Studios as a film producer is remark. Lhomond, and launching an to direct one film himself La Course des taureaux (1951), a builfighting documentary.

Now he had new artists to champion. Resnais's early

films on Van Gogh, Gauguin and Picasso's painting "Guer-nica" were made with Brauoberger's help. In the 1950s he encouraged his nephew, documentary-maker François Reichenbech; and, through his company Les Films de la Pleiade, financed Charlotte et son Jules and other shorts by Jean-Luc Godard. The young sprites of the nouvelle vague regarded their mentor with impish affection: "Until you've seen Braunberger cavorting about the beach in bathing trunks," Truffaut wrote from the Venice Film Festival in 1956.

"you haven't seeo anything". When his proteges moved into features, Braunberger moved with them. He produced Jean Rouch's Mol un noir (1958), Truffant's Thez sur le pianiste (1960), Godard's Vivre Sa Vie (1962), Resnais's Muriel (1963), Eric Rohmer's Ma Nuit chez Maude (1969), and the carty features of Claude Lelouch. All told, Braunberger displayed courage, taste, awesome stamina and boundless enthusiasm in a branch of the industry where obstructive tycoons and money men predominate. World cinema would have been much impoverished without him. Braunberger was married to

the actress and director Gisèle Hauchecorne.



LADY OGILVIE

Kate Jenkins writes:

great debt. She demonstrated, by her wise advice, the importance of being systematic the details of running an deal.

organisation. An even more important lesson was that THOSE of us who had the running an organisation privilege of being students at should be fun. She was always St Anne's during Lady encouraging, open and honest. Ogilvic's time there (obituary, Her guidance for a young and November 19) owe her a very raw president of the JCR, raw president of the JCR, through the shoals of internal politics, was memorable and, on occasions, hugely enteras well as radical in sorting out taining. We all owe her a great

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Dinners

Lord Colubrook
Lord Colubrook was host to the
United and Cecil Club at a
dinner held last night at the
House of Lords. Sir Marcus Fox,
MP, chairman, presided and the
American Ambassador was the
principal guest and speaker. Royal Institution of Chartered

Surveyors
Mr Noel McDonagh presided at Mr Noel McDonagh presided at the annual dinner of the Char-tered Quantity Surveyors Di-vision of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors held last night at Grosvenor House. Dr Garret Fitzgerald and Mr Nicholas Scott, MP, also spoke.

Nicholas Scott, MP, also spoke.
Bermuda Society
Viscount Dunrossil, Chairman
of the Bermuda Society, presided at the annual dinner held
last night at Painters' Hall. Lord
and Lady Sharp of Grimsdyke,
Mr Rupert Allason, MP, and
Mrs Allason, Mr Maxwell
Bruce, QC, Chairman of the
Board of Trustees of the Bermuda Biological Station, and
Mrs Bruce and Mr Rohin
Gorham were the principal
guests.

Institute of Measurement and Control Control
Dr D.C. Cornish was host at a
dinner of the Institute of
Measurement and Control held
last night at the Institute of Metals after Professor Sir David Weatherail had delivered the Thomson lecture. Professor M.G. Mylroi was presented with the Sir Harold Harrley Medal by Dr. Cornich man and the Dr Cornish who received the Alec Hough-Grasshy Memorial Award from Professor D.P. Atherton.

National Defence College (Canada) UK Association The Canadian High Commissioner and Mrs Macdonald and Sir Patrick Moberly were the guests of honour at the annual dimer of the National Defence College (Canada) UK Association held last night at the Army and Navy Club.

Service dinners

Naval Home Command
Admiral Sir Jeremy Black,
Commander-in-Chief, Naval
Home Command, was host at a
dinner beld last night on board
HMS Victory. The Bishop of
Portsmouth, General Sir Martin and Lady Farndale, Air Marshal Sir Peter and Lady Bairsto and Mr Jerry Wiggin, MP, were among the guests.

Inns of Court and City Colonel Stephen Carden, Honorary Colonel of the Inns of Court and City Yeomanry, presided at a dinner for past and present officers beld last night at the Cavalry and Guards Club.

Service luncheon RASC and RCT

RASC and RCT
The Royal Army Service Corps
and Royal Corps of Transport
Officers' function club entertained Mr Ian G Robertson,
Director of the National Army Museum, at luncheon yesterday at Mark Masons Hall St James's. Brigadier D N Locke, chairman, presided, Among those present were:
Major-General P Blunt, Major-General P Blunt, Major-General P F Clarton, Brigadiers & C Richey, E W T Dartow, R G Harmer, B G E Courte, H R Dray and Colonels J F E Pres, R F Discombe, M H G Young and F V Gray.

Luncheon

Musicians Benevolent Fund The Musicians Benevolent Fund gave a luncheon yesterday at tronmongers' Hall to mark the Festival of St Cecilia. Mr David Mellor, QC. Minister for the Arts, Dame Janet Baker and Sir lan Hunter, chairman, were the speakers. Among those present were:

Lord and Lady Armstrong of findinger. Lady Hunter, the Master of the Ousen's Music, the Abbot of Belmont, Mr Petrons, Pr Jerenty React. Miss Teres Calvis, Mns Sideale Geometric, Mr George Missionim, Dr and Mrs Andrew Paraumist and Mr Loopela Rothschild.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Voltaire, philosopher, man of letters, scientist, Paris, 1694; Walter, William Skeat, etymologist, London, 1835; Sir Leslie Ward ("Spy"), caricaturist, London, 1851; Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch, man of letters, Bodmin, 1863.

DEATHS: Sir Thomas Gresham, founder of the Royal Exchange, London, 1579; Henry Purcell, composer. London, 1695; John Hill, calling himself Sir John, writer, London, 1775. The first free flight in a balloon was made, Paris, 1783. The German Fleet surrendered, 1918.

plight of the people had been of lakes near Aldershot. immeasurably improved. winning the MC in the last big dition. The Maharajah since After a spell at HQ in New daughter.

Study proposes earlier date

for founding of Eternal City THE forum of ancient Rome, tions by the Swedish archae- taken with the specific aim of

The Queen will hold an investi-ture at Buckingham Palace at 11.00; and will visit "The Raj-India and the British t600-1947" exhibition at the Nacional heart of the greatest empire of ologist Eioar Gjerstad transforming the centre of the its time, seems to have been suggested that these layers basin and establishing the constructed earlier and more supposed.

Abbey in the Jerusalem Chamber at 12.15.
The Prince of Wales, as Patron of Music in Country Churches, will give a reception at San-dringham at 6.45. bottom, the origins of the The Princess of Wales, as Patron of the Parkinson's Disease Sociforum appear to lie in an ety, will attend a reception at St James's Palace at 6.30; and, as a Royal Master of the Bench of the Middle Temple, will attend a dinner at the Middle Temple implying that Roman society was much more organised by the late seventh century BC than had been thought. Prince Edward, as Patron of the

Lying between the Palatine London Mozart Players, will attend Le Bourgeois: Gentilhomme concert at the Queen Elizabeth Hall at 6.40. and Capitoline hills just north of the Tiber, the forum was the market-place and meeting The Princess Royal will attend the British Institute of Sports place of Rome, with temples and public buildings around the Lapis Niger, the "black Coach of the Year awards at the stone", placed there by Romu-Savoy Hotel at 12.15; as Presi-dent of the Save the Children Fund, will attend a reception at lus, eponymous founder of the line of Roman kings in the ICI Group headquarters, 9
Millbank, at 6.15; and will be
admitted to the Honorary
Fellowship of the College of
Anaesthetists at the Royal Colleighth century BC. While he is regarded as legendary, at least the last three kings, ending with Tarquinius Superbus in ege of Surgeons of England at 7.30 and afterwards attend a 509 BC are accepted as histori-Princess Margaret will open the

cal rulers of the Etruscan age. Excavaçions in the forum on March 20, 1904, in the presence of the King of Italy and the Times correspondent

Sir Alex Alexander, former fast, 76; Mr Stanley Kalms chairman, J. Lyons and Com-pany, 74; Mr Coningsby Aliday, former chairman, British Nuclear Fuels, 70; Miss Beryl Bainbridge, writer, 56: Mrs Georgina Battiscombe, author, 85; Earl Beatty, 44; Mr Roy

were from domestic occupagrandly than has long been tion and included the remains Some two metres' depth (6.5ft) of fill was needed in the of "primitive huts with walls Instead of a cluster of of reed tightened with earth". simple huts in a damp valley The discovery of better preserved huts on the Palatine Hill to the west reinforced the impressive programme of impression that early Rome landfill and remodelling, was little more than a village. probably took a oumber of However, a series of deep

> suggests that this view must be revised. Dr Albert Ammerman, of Parma university, has coneluded that the valley bottom was in fact swampy, and thus an unlikely locale for settlement. The series of deposits which Gjerstad thought were successiva habitation layers, Dr Ammerman sees as a rapid sequence of infilling, designed to dry out and level the depression, and to raise its St Godric's floor above all but the most College extreme Tiber floods. A oew system of drains would also

have been installed, Dr. Ammerman says. The dauh fragments that Gjerstad saw as proof of dwellings he believes came in Rome revealed burials and archaic pottery vessels. Forty years ago further investiga-

Today's birthdays

founder, Dixons Group, 59; Mr Jacques Laffite, racing driver, 47; Mr Peter Liddle, racehorse trainer, 54; Air Chief Marshal Sir Theodore McEvoy, 86; Miss Natalia Makarova, ballerina, 50; Professor G.E.H. Reuter, math-Boulting, film producer, 77; Mr

Boulting, film producer, 77; Mr

I.D. Bullmore, a director of son, cricketer, 32; Mr Telly Savalas, actor, 68; Earl Grace, actor, 43; Dr Michael Grant, former vice-chancellor, The Queen's University, Bel-Queen's Music, 59.

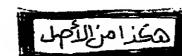
Sir Geoffrey Hawkings

The memorial service arranged for Sir Geoffrey Hawkings on November 24, will no longer take place.

Appointment Lieutenant-Colonei Malcolm

Ross to be Comptroller, Lord Chamberlain's Office, from January 1, 1990.

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THE ALLEY FIGHT CONTINUES

Nobody who takes on Margaret Thatcher can expect an easy contest. She fights inelegantly but fiercely. Her campaign to stave off Michael Heseltine's bid for her leadership is proving as messy as her 1987 election campaign. Her aides are second-rate, her tactics weak. Had she not spent the past three days in Paris - having brought forward the leadership contest - she might have won on the first ballot. As it was, she has suffered an all but lethal blow. The mistress of the political alley fight must now go another round.

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Had Mrs Thatcher received less than majority support from her parliamentary colleagues, the pressure on her to stand down before the second round would have been overwhelming and justified. The much abused rules permit new entrants to the race and the party would rightly have been given the chance with fresh candidates to choose a new beginning. As it is, Mrs Thatcher only narrowly missed victory. Those not wishing to support her could well have abstained and her vote of 204 must be assumed a reasonably solid one. Her backers, Douglas Hurd and John Major, have both said they will not run against her. Give or take some spoilers, the assumption must be that the Conservative party faces another two-horse race in a week's time.

Mrs Thatcher has been sorely wounded. She is up against a strong challenger who has fought her for four years with the panache of a seasoned American presidential candidate. Mr Heseltine has marshalled money, talent and arguments, and has chosen his moment to attack with care. He is a sound challenger. Save for the pardonable sin of reneging on his promise not to run, he has conducted a creditable campaign, avoiding references to Mrs Thatcher's much-discussed personality.

The best interests of the Conservative party would now lie in Mr Heseltine honourably disregarding the letter of the leadership rules and standing down. He fought well but was unable to get either a formal winning vote or even a majority of the parliamentary party tosupport him. Damage has been done to the party by the outcome of his challenge. While it: is unlikely that he will win on the next ballot, by staying in the contest, he is making certain even more damage. He would have done himself good in Conservative circles by withdrawing now. That is not to be.

Mrs Thatcher has brought much of this trouble on her head and has the most serious emergency of her career to surmount. Previously she brushed aside any intra-party dissent as the product of faint hearts, closet corporatists, wets and has-beens. She cannot dismiss it now. An election could be still 18 months away, months of continued high

inflation, rising unemployment and more trouble on the poll tax front. The case for her last night was that she has recovered from such difficulties in the past. This expectation is reduced.

Mrs Thatcher must find an answer to the charges thrown at her this past month and do so in a matter of days. She has been asked to soften her tone and ameliorate her style since she was in political nappies. The effect of such advice has been zero. She revels in her public profile, arguing with some justice that the hostility it evokes is that of a bunch of compromisers and male chauvinists. Stridency, she says, is part and parcel of her conviction politics and her international reputation. Soften the edges of that profile and you will pull down the base of her government.

Mrs Thatcher's weakness is her inability to convince her political allies of this exotic thesis. This is not so much a matter of policies. Any government worth its salt has disagreements between personalities and departments. Mrs Thatcher has a publicly united cabinet on her European Community strategy - if not on her general outlook on Europe - as well as on such crucial matters as the economy, education and health and even the benighted poll tax. She has pursued unpopular lines before and won

What she must do is present the nation the appearance of an experienced team of vigorously independent ministers. She must do this urgently. The recent spate of resignations, most of them avoidable with a modicum of tact on her part, may be forgotten. But her solitary and authoritarian isolation bas emerged from the past month's polls as her most serious electoral liability. She needs to swallow her huge pride and retire behind the line-up of competent colleagues heading her major departments.

Her two proposers last night, Douglas Hurd and John Major, are not just her most dominant ministers, they are also natural candidates for the succession. She must conclude a pact with them that extends beyond leadership support to embrace the whole future of the government's strategy; likewise Chris Patten, Kenneth Clarke, Tom King and others, all part of a reasonable team to present at the electoral box office.

Until yesterday, Mrs Thatcher could appear to say of her fellow ministers, "Oh to hell with them; there are plenty more where they came from!" She cannot afford to say that now. They have to be persuaded to declare four square for her. For the first time in her political career, Mrs Thatcher needs her colleagues more than they need her.

COMRADES AGAIN

'comrades" on state television, and exhorted the *People's Daily* so to ad The targets are not only words such as xiaojie - the Chinese word for "Miss" which the party organ condemns as having originally designated courtesans - but occupational titles. To refer to people as doctor, engineer or manager, thus recreating class distinctions, is once again antisocial. By contrast, the paper proclaims, "when the going gets tough, Comrade can bring you strength'

Whatever derision the appeal to good old revolutionary values arouses among most of the educated urban young, it will send shivers through those who can remember the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution of 1966-76. For "revolutionary" they read "reaction": seeing this as the latest ploy in the bid by hardliners in the communist leadership to resurrect "class struggle" as an instrument of party control. If there is class struggle, it follows that there are enemies of the people.

Such public lessons in how to be truly reactionary disguise a hardfought battle behind the scenes between hardliners and reformers. Chinese communism has always harboured an intense anti-intellectualism which has sabotaged all efforts at economic reform. Each liberalisation has been followed by retribution: the Hundred Flowers movement of 1957 by the Great Leap Forward in 1958, the subsequent economic recovery by the Cultural Revolution's disastrous purges of "capitalistroaders", officials, teachers and managers. The most perniciously durable of all Mao

China's citizens are once again being greeted as Tsetung's slogans has been "better Red than Expert", which provided party hardliners a non lot. 16 economists and managers the powers needed to make economic reforms work. For a decade Deng Xiaoping's celebrated assertion of his indifference to the colour of any cat that caught mice relegated ideology to secondary place behind technical competence. But now, the People's Daily is back to warning against "mixing up black and white in ideology". The colour of the cats matters again.

With China's economy in disastrous shape, its leaders are paralysed by dissent over the new five-year plan, due to start on January 1. The meeting to approve the plan of the party's central committee, first scheduled for October. has been repeatedly postponed. The prime minister, Li Peng, shows no sign of readiness to surrender party control over the economy and has even called for tighter central planning and a return to Maoist doctrines of national selfreliance, but the old guard is under fire. Directives issued in Peking are increasingly ignored by reformist provincial leaders.

In all this, the ordinary "comrades" are, as ever, unconsulted victims of ideological whim. Western governments have decided, for geopolitical reasons, to lift the sanctions imposed after Tiananmen Square. They should leave China'a leaders in no doubt that their country remains a poor investment risk - and that the remedy lies not in returning to Maoist nostrums but in relaxing the political controls which have stifled individual talent.

LOCAL DEALS FOR NHS

Britain's outmoded and inflexible method of settling both public and private sector wage increases has been improved over the last few years, largely by moves away from national pay bargaining. Yesterday's launch by four trade unions in the National Health Service of a pay claim for national rises of up to 20 per cent this year indicates how far that drive for reform still

The NHS unions have a good case. Hospital has to go. workers are low paid, if not as low as their spokesmen say. The unions stress a basic pay of £100, though averages with overtime and bonuses are about £153. None the less pay has worsened over the last decade. Recent research carried out by Cambridge economists shows that the earnings of hospital porters and ward orderlies have deteriorated sharply over the past 10 years compared with those of unskilled workers as a whole. Their work is not greatly skilled, but no less important for that -doctors could not easily perform operations in safety if dirty theatres had not been cleaned.

The "supply-side" problem is not so much this year's deal, but the mechanism by which the pay of NHS ancillary workers is set. Many pay negotiations in the public sector have moved away from the lumbering, formal setpicces which characterised national pay bargaining in the 1960s and 70s. In local government, probably the closest parallel to the NHS, bargaining has become much more localised, more linked to employment conditions in each area. National bargaining still operates for central government's employees, but the pay deals covering civil servants now provide for large degrees of flexibility. In the private sector, too, change has been extensive, with the ending of national negotiations in the largest single-bargaining group covering the engineering industry. Not so yet in the NHS.

National bargaining offers some advantages to both sides. Central negotiation can help to keep down the overall cost of wage increases by avoiding the leap-frogging endemic in local bargaining and which is starting in local government. Employer solidarity can be used to curtail union solidarity. But the disadvantage is high. No account can be taken of regional differences in recruitment and retention of staff, nor to variations in living costs. National bargaining in the private sector can force employers to settle higher than they need. Centralised bargaining reinforces the trade unions and their national leaderships, regard-

less of membership strength. The government can now change the way NHS pay is settled. The opting-out of hospitals will give local managements a greater degree of autonomy. Employees need not be disadvantaged. Hospital workers in London need not be dragged down by lower rates elsewhere. It may be tough on unions wedded to their centralised power but they must adapt or wither. They have survived with the move to local bargaining in the water industry, and have scored considerable successes in the campaign for shorter hours in the engineering industry, gains which would hardly have been won had national bargaining still been in place. Local pay bargaining in the NHS makes economic sense for workers and employers. The government should take its health service reforms this stage further.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

native. It should remain indepen-

dent from the oceds of any one

nation and should be backed by

the economies of all the European

nations. Each European currency

would be convertible into the ecu,

in line with the requirements of

the ERM (exchange-rate mecha-

nism). This would maiotain stability, provide reasonable flex-

ibility and would allow the emer-

gence of the ecu as a credible

reserve currency of the future. The

function of a European central

bank would be to control such an

The present proposals for a single currency suffer from a

1. By replacing national currencies

with a single currency, individual

nations lose the ability to adjust to

the reality of their economic circumstances. If the economy of

Greece is less disciplined and

productive than that of The Netherlands, the drachma can be devalued, thereby providing Greek industry with a competitive advantage and also encouraging a

move to equilibrium between

wealth creation and wealth consumption. If no such self-

adjusting mechanism is available, then there will be a need for

transfers of subsidies to the poorty

performing regions and transfers

2. It is obvious that a single

currency can only be regulated by

a central European bank and within a central European budget.

This means that the European

authority, instead of concentrating oo its legitimate role of maintain-

ing the ecu, will become respoo-sible for matters of strictly

national concern. The principle of

subsidiarity, which has always

been considered the foundation of

3. Lack of subsidiarity, payment of

on-going regional subsidies and

mass immigration will unleash

centrifugal forces which ul-timately will destroy Europe.

Events in the East should confirm

yet again that Europe consists of nations with strong roots. We must recognise our heritage of diversity and build a structure

which accommodates that di-

versity and draws strength from it.

Yours truly, JAMES GOLDSMITH,

From Mr Peter P. H. Rein

Sir, Britain's enormous payments

as one of the only two EC "net contributors" during the last ten years (Mr Charles L. Parker, November 10) highlight the urgent

oced for reform. At the very least,

only those members who are net

contributors should have the right

Sir. Your leader (November 9)

complains of the silence of the

shadow Chancellor, John Smith,

in not advocating more govern-

ment expenditure on skill train-

your report on Mr Smith's reply to

the Chancellor's autumn state-

ment on public spending states inter alia; "Why... in view of the present economic difficulties was

the government cutting spending

on training ... They should be

increasing investment in training, export promotion, research and

discussed the obvious require-

ment for a traffic strategy for

Over the past 30 years solutions

have been suggested which be-came unacceptable because there

is no possible strategy that does not contain a disbenefit for some

group, somewhere. That is why,

with the local elections then pending Westminster City Hall

ignored its own proposals in 1986

for improvements to the Oxford

Street environment. Currently the

government is certainly in no mood to upset anybody. Therefore

it does nothing and upsets every-

HARRY SHEPHERD (Director),

The Oxford Street Association,

increased through bureaucrats'

and consultant's fees, map-mak-

ing, travel expenses, perhaps even

recompense, because brigands on

the way mugged the surveyor's luggage, stole his clothing and beat

him up. At least Eurotunnel has

not had these problems.

Leeds, West Yorkshire.

From Professor the Reverend

Sir, There is a precedent for the

feat of the Channel tunnel en-

gineers even earlier than that of

Eupalinos. This is the so-called

Tunnel of Hezekiah in Jerusalem

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Yours faithfully, O. A. W. DILKE

Moorfield, Huby,

Canon J. R. Porter

November 13.

16-19 Eastcastle Street, W1.

development".

A. J. COHEN.

Yours faithfully,

Hamilton House,

17 Cedar Road,

Sutton, Surrey. November 12.

London.

body.

Yours faithfully

Eastgate House.

Yet in the same edition (page 7),

25 Champs Elysées, Paris 75008, France.

to use a blocking vote

Yours faithfully,

4 Borough View,

Torrington, Devon.

P. P. H. REIN,

November 16.

Europe, would be shattered.

of people to the efficient ones.

number of structural defects:

Consequences of monetary union The ecu should be the alter-

From Professor William Letwin Sir, What is the "tragedy" that resulted according to Sir Geoffrey Howe (report, November 14), from Britain's not having joined ERM five years ago?

He might have meant that the tragedy consists of the present inflation (and consequent recession), which would have been avoided by earlier membership in ERM. He appears to have forgotten that from late 1985 onward, Mr Lawson deliberately "shadowed" the Deutschmark, so taking the UK into the ERM in all but

Far from preventing inflation in Britain, that policy and its concomitants tended to fuel it. That membership of ERM does not prevent inflation is evident from the fact that since 1979, when ERM began, not one of the member countries has been free of inflation. So if British inflation is the tragedy, Sir Geoffrey had better blame it on Mr Lawson rather than on Mrs Thatcher.

Perhaps, however, Sir Geoffrey meant that Mrs Thatcher's antipathy to European monetary union (and to ERM as a stage toward EMU) has kept Britain from exercising as much influence over EC policies as it should. Mrs Thatcher's reply has been that we should not join a clob that would destroy Britain's monetary in-

EMU's destination is a single currency controlled by a European central bank. Britain would have just as little power to control that bank as it has to control the common agricultural policy. Ger-man central bankers will control it, because their record in containing inflation has been good albeit imperfect. Nobody can guarantee that they and their successors will continue equally devoted to monetary stability or equally skilled in maintaining it.

Surrendering Britain's monetary independence to EMU may have consequences much more tragic for Britain than any that would result from staying outside of EMU for the time being at least.

Sir Geoffrey's lament was full of passioo but devoid of explanation. His unsubstantiated attack may produce tragic results for his party and his country if it were to help stampede the UK into EMU.

Yours truly, WILLIAM LETWIN 15 Arlington Road, NW1. November 15. From Sir James Goldsmith

Sir, The present debate about the single currency obscures an urgent requirement. We must create an alternative reserve currency to replace the dollar, should it continue its decline and lose its When s doned its world role, the dollar was ready to replace it. Today, nothing has been prepared and in adverse circumstances this could lead to turmoil.

Surfspeak Skill training From Mr B. K. Levy From Dr A. J. Cohen

Sir, In Philip Howard's interesting essay (November 16) into the mutant aspects of surfing lan-guage, he misses out a vital link between the Japanese etymology of tsunami and its emergence in

The word was used, first by Japanese scientists and then (and now) by others studying seismological phenomena as a term to replace the miscalled tidal wave the vast wave which is observed to follow undersea earthquakes or

cruptions. Surely it is this scientific term which the surfer has culled to describe his big wave. Yours etc. B. K. LEVY, 9 Old Square,

Traffic and shopping From Mr Harry Shepherd

Lincoln's Inn. WC2.

November 16.

Sir, No group of retailers is more aware of the problems of traffic, dirt, pollution and the necessity for a transport policy than mem-bers of the Oxford Street Association. The writer of your leader on Christmas shopping (November 6) seems unaware that Oxford Street, the busiest shopping street in the world, which contributed over £700 million in foreign currency to the Exchequer in 1989, is traversed at peak by no fewer than 250 buses and 750 taxis every hour. One bus breakdown, or a student demo, and London is paralysed.

My colleagues and I, together with the London Tourist Board and other interested parties, have met with the secretary of state. We

Boring tunnels From Professor Emeritus O. A. W.

Sir. Not all ancient manels were as trouble-free as Eupalinos's (Professor Martin F. Smith, November 13). An inscription of about AD 150 from Saldae, Mauretania, reads rather differently. The local council, no doubt hoping for a cheap job with slave labour, had a tunnel for an aqueduct dug

through a hill from both sides. The

diggers failed to meet.

A specialist in aquedoct survey, Nonius Datus, had to be called in. He found that each side had veered to the right. He made a section, very likely using Hero of Alexandria's construction based on similar triangles, which was submitted to the governor. On the basis of this they dug again and were successful.

The costs must have been vastly

Opposition to export of live horses

From the Chief Executive of the British Horse Society

Sir, You report (November 6) that opposition to the attempts by Mr Ray MacSharry, the EC agriculture commissioner, to abolish the ban on the export of live horses and ponies "accounts for more than half of the letters sent each week to the agriculture ministry and rural MPs". I am told that the ministry has never experienced so large a correspondence oo any one topic.

Let me assure Mr MacSharry that the strength of this opposition will be maintained. The British Horse Society has discussed the matter with our own agriculture ministry, the Commission, representatives of the European Council of Ministers, Irish parliamentarians, other members of the Committee of Professional Agricultural Organisations in Brussels, and with local councils and wel-fare organisations in this country. In all our discussions we have received strong moral support for the retention by the UK of its system of exporting carcases only.

In January this year the European parliament passed 49 amendments to the Commission's transport and minimum values regulations, under which the lifting of the ban is proposed; the Commission accepted eight of these. We also hope that the Commission will authorise member states to adopt specific mea-sures to safeguard the welfare of equidae (horses, ponies, donkeys, and mules) intended for slaughter.

Lobbying will not move merely to the European parliament, as predicted by Mr Maclean, Britain's junior agriculture minister. British animal-lovers will continue to press for action in this country and, under the chairmanship of Harry Greenway, MP, leading UK horse-welfare organisations are requesting support for two early-day motions during the current parliament,

Yours faithfully, T. J. S. EASTWOOD, Chief Executive, The British Horse Society. British Equestrian Centre, Stoneleigh, Kenilworth, Warwickshire, November 15.

From the Chairman of Council of the RSPCA

Sir, The editorial, "A regrettable advertisement", in Saturday's Times (November 17) regretted your newspaper's decision to publish the RSPCA's dead pony advertisement on November 15. I believe that you have no cause for

Most advertising uses symbolic imagery. The pony in our advert-British abattoir for shipment to the EC. It was shown hanging head upwards to enable instant recognition. The reality of it hanging inverted with its throat slit rendered it difficult to recognise and was arguably even more distress-

The RSPCA has always stated

Mental illness care

From the Chairman of the Royal College of General Practitioners Sir, Following the letter from the President of the Royal College of Psychiatrists (November 8) we would like to emphasise the importance of treating mental illness, especially depression, which is a common medical problem affecting as many as 15 per cent of elderly people. Patients should be treated promptly and skilfully. oormally within the privacy of their own general practice.

We welcome a ringfenced grant for mental illness, but the government's definition of patients who will be eligible for it restricts benefit to those "accepted by the specialist psychiatrist services". This may exclude some of those with great needs. At a time when general practitioners treat over 90 per cent of patients who suffer from depression we believe that the definition of eligibility should be related to need and not to the kind of doctor providing the treatment,

It is inefficient for patients. general practitioners, and specialists if referrals are made just for access for grants. The Royal College of General Practitioners calls for an urgent review of both the funds available for grants for mental illness and the rules of eligibility for them. Yours faithfully

DENIS PEREIRA GRAY, Chairman of Council. Royal College of General Practitioners, 14 Princes Gate, Hyde Park, SW7. November 17.

which, unlike the work of Eupalinos, is still in existence and can be walked through with a powerful torch.

It was constructed in the reign of King Hezekiah (714-686 BC) to safeguard the city's water supply and is some 1,749 feet long. The workmen were so proud of their achievement that they set up an inscription, now in Istanbul, to record their feat.

This tells how two teams of workers started at each eod of the tunnel and finally broke through together io the middle - "on the day of boring through, the miners struck, each in the direction of his fellow, pick against pick, and the water started flowing from the source to the pool". Yours faithfully,

J. R. PORTER 36 Theberton Street, Barnsbury, N1. November 13.

that this image was symbolic. indeed the other adverts which support this campaign show similarly stylised images with which the Advertising Standards Authority have no objection, as was the case with the RSPCA's dead dog mountain.

The ASA unilaterally banned the dead pony picture acting under two sections of their code. The first allows such action against an advertisement "which may reasonably be expected to be found objectionable by a significant number of those likely to see their advertisement", yet by their own admission it was banned before they had received n single complaint.

The second, dealing with distress, permits such advertising tactics "only in circumstances in which the seriousness and im-portance of the subject matter unarguably warrant such an ap-proach". The RSPCA believes that the untold suffering of over 750,000 sheep and calves shipped live from Britain to the Continent and the prospect of horses joining this trade certainly qualify. We resent the implication that we were "merely in pursuit of an attempt to attract attention or to shock".

The public's support for the RSPCA campaign has been overwhelming. We will continue with this battle against the live transport to Europe of animals for slaughter.

JOAN S. FELTHOUSE, Chairman of Council. Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Causeway, Horsham, West Sussex, November 20.

From the Editor of Horse and Hound

Sir, Your report (November 14) on the RSPCA's advertisement campaign on the export of live borses states that Horse and Hound declined to publish their illustration of the dead pooy on a hook with our news report, implying that the decision was made oo policy grounds. In fact the report arrived in our office just before we went to press and there was oo room for the illustration.

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL CLAYTON, Editor, Horse and Hound, Room 2105, King's Reach Tower, Stamford Street, SE1. November 14.

From Mrs Magda le Duc Sir, The hypocrisy of the Advertising Standards Authority stuns me. Has it ever condemned the equally of third world human misery which appear regularly, and rightly so, in various outlets of the

Yours faithfully. MAGDA & DUC. 86 Sheen Park, Richmond-upon-Thames, Surrey, November 16.

Sent to try us

From Mr Russell Middleton Sir, The question raised (Novemiber 20) by Mr Peter Turner — is there anything more exasperating than wiring a 13-amp plug? - is another example of our whinge ing, privileged society. Does he not know that in some countries appliances are sold complete with plugs? This is a denial of a person's right (and pleasure) to spend many happy hours wiring, sometimes, cor rectly, his newly acquired chanels.

We should thank, not be critical

of, the authorities which allow Yours sincerely. RUSSELL MIDDLETON,

4 Ladbroke Square, W11. From Mr J. A. J. Berry

Sir, Mr Turner is right. Wiring a 13-amp plug in the UK still requires two different-sized screwdrivers and a pair of scissors, not to mention a memory which can cope with the sense of logic which says that earth is not brown but yellow, and live is not blue, but

Unless we move towards all electrical goods being provided with a factory-fitted plug, an altogether safer proposition, the man who invents a simple-to-fix plug will have the electrical equivalent of a better mousetrap on his hands. Yours.

JAMIE BERRY, Gowan House, 71 Gowan Avenue, SW6.

From Mr Nicolas Mynett Sir, More exasperating? Finding it does not work once you have wired it. 1 remain, Sir, your obedient

Servani. NICOLAS MYNETT. Temple House, Stowe, Buckingham. From Lady Brabazon

Sir, Puncturing a newly-repaired inner-tube with the lever as one finally gets the last section of the bicycle tyre back over the rim. Yours faithfully,

HARRIET BRABAZON. 35 Cloocurry Street, SW6. From Mr Harley Nott Sir, Wrestling with two or more wire coathangers. Yours, in a tangle

HARLEY NOTT, 17 Upper Tooting Park, SW17. From Mr J. P. N. Lowe Sir, Tying a bow tie. Yours faithfully, J. P. N. LOWE 70 Littlebury Road, Clapham, SW4.

The ads are the best bit

Commercial addicts are in for an eight-hour treat

or people who actually enjoy advertisements, there is an overdose in store in London at the beginning of next month, when the Odeon cinema in Leicester Square screens an all-night show of eight hours of commercials, 500 of them from 45

In France, where the show, La Nuit des Publivores (The Night of the Ad Eaters), originated, it is presented annually to audiences of dedicated fans who join in the jingles and shout out the slogans. To increase the carnival atmosphere, balloons and whistles are given out at the door. Whether British audiences will door. Whether British audiences will respond with such fervour, despite the gift of a bag of popcorn, remains to be seen.

The Night of the Ad Eaters is the creation of Jean Marie Boursicot, a

Frenchman who started to collect pieces of film as a child, when a projectionist gave him a clip from an advertisment for ice-cream. Since then, he has begged or bought

more than 350,000 advertisements from

all over the world, from which he has compiled his epic. He attends every show. In France there is a Publivore Club, the members of which keep M Boursicot in touch with what they think of the shows. A particular favourite is an Ariel soap powder commercial in which a "house-wife" is asked whether she would change her packet of Ariel for two of an ordinary powder. The audience drowns out her reply, screaming. "We want Ariel!" When a French chocolate pudding ad suggests that everyone who likes Danette please rise, everyone is on their feet. There were letters of complaint one year when he omitted a perrenial favourite. African Bob, who drives his little Fiat across the desert to howls of amusement.

As well as the amusement value, M Boursicot sees some sociological significance in his work. The evolution of styles and social attitudes, as well as national differences, is highlighted by looking at one company's advertisements over several decades.

A selection of Levi jeans advertisements show how much even a classic garment can change, a hilarious favourite being the flares of the early Seventies worn with platform soles. "When you are in the cinema and you pay to see advertisements, if it is not good, you can take revenge," M Boursicot says.

LAURIS MORGAN-GRIFFITHS

Square, London, December 1 (£16.50). Doors open 11.15pm, show starts at mid-night (071-379 4444).

Tremors in the literary bedrock

A wind of change is ruffling feathers at the Times Literary Supplement, as the new

chief executive and even newer editor plan a modest relaunch. Sean French reports

hen Henry Fairlie wrote his famous article about the Establishment in the Spectator in 1955, he identified it as including not only the prime minister, but also "such lesser mortals as the chairman of the Arts Council, the director general of the BBC, and even the editor of the Times Literary Supplenent". But the Establishment is not the protected species it once was. In the current issue of Oxford Today, Jeremy Treglown, the editor of the TLS, replies to the question of what it is like working for Rupert Murdock: "We're left very much to our-selves. Despite the fact that he's a populist and we're highbrow, and that he's on the right and we're notably pluralist, he never inter-feres with editorial policy and he underwrites our losses - if there are any.'

The message seems not to have reached Michael Hoy, News International's newly appointed chief executive of Times Supplements Ltd. By the time Mr Treglown's interview was being pushed through the letterboxes of the Oxford graduates who make up the magazine's readership, he had been briskly fired, after eight years as editor. There were stirrings of protest, but the literary world moves at a brontosaurian pace, and the revolution was disarmed before it had begun by the appointment of Ferdinand Mount, the journalist, critic, and one-time head of Mrs Thatcher's Policy Unit (he wrote her 1983 election

Ever since it was founded in 1905, the TLS has been an easy paper to attack. Its long-sustained policy of running unsigned reviews (ended only in 1974 by John Gross) was meant to convey disinterested au-

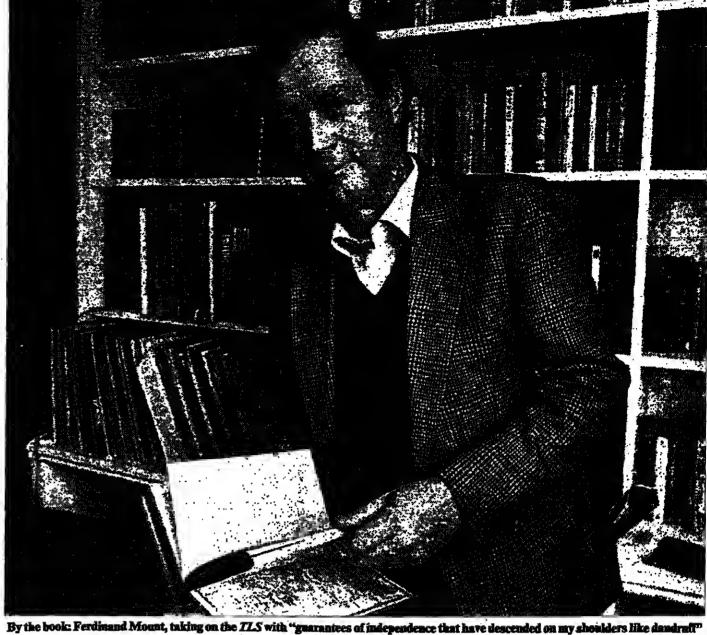
thority, but became notorious as a means of furthering private academic feuds. To an anti-Establishment literary critic such as F.R. Leavis, the paper represented everything that was corrupt about the metropolitan literary clique. But members of the metropolitan literary clique attacked it for being over-academic. In Clive James's cruel words: "A don can make it into the TLS if he is one of the only two authorities on

other has just written a book."
The London Review of Books tends to be more highly praised by literary cognoscenti, but its task is easier. The LRB's circulation at about 18,000 is smaller, and it is Arts Council grant-aided. The LRB appears fortinightly, publishing 15 or so reviews more than 40 appears parallely. lishes more than 40 every week. The risk is duliness, although ironically the paper has generally been considered more sprightly in the past year. The TLS really goes wrong when it is diverted from its principal function. Its attempt last year to produce a collaborative European literary magazine was a flop. The weekly two-page list of titles of books received is a waste of space. And nobody expects the magazine's Commentary section, containing reviews of the other arts, to survive long under Mr Mount's

The paper's numerous staff with whom I worked briefly and happily in the mid-Eighties have been a byword in the literary world for their amisble eccentricity. A couple of years ago the paper connived in this view of itself by submitting to a Tatler profile in which staff members portrayed one another as variously layabouts, gossips and bons viveurs spending their days phoning friends. In fact the staff form a distin-

guished, if somewhat raffish, literary band, including the novelist Alan Hollinghurst, the poet Alan Jenkins, and the travel writers Redmond O'Hanlon and John Ryle. Much good work is published. But there is an unquestionable sense of malaise, inside the paper as well as out. It is not just that it loses money, but that it has slipped out of the mainstream of intellectual debate. The paper has a limited potential readership, of course. The vast majority of newspaper buyers would not be interested in a paper reviewing more than 40 books a week, however well it was edited and written. Nevertheless, although limited, the potential readership is inter-national, and much larger than the 26,000 copies to which the paper has slipped.

Mr Hoy, the man with the responsibility for turning the paper around, makes the traditional commercial noises,



insisting that "nobody should be expected to pay for the privilege of running a publication". But, offered a choice between cutting costs and raising circulation, he chooses the latter, and insists it will be achieved without going down-market: "There's room at the top end of the market for a paper like the TLS to flourish," he says. "It is a newspaper of international appeal which has edged into being a paper written by academics for academics. It should be a paper by intellectuals for an intelligent reader,"

Mr Hoy is positively fogeyish in his defence of serious literary values; and insists there is no time limit. "No one's ever going to make a lot of money from this paper," he says. But not all is sweetness and light. Using the now compulsory, it seems, cricketing metaphor, he says of Mr Treglown that he had "had a fair innings. I don't see the editorship as a lifetime appointment." Shortly after this interview, he sent three other senior executives back to the pavilion. But there have been no com-

plaints about the appointment of Mr Mount as editor, a formidably literate man, a highbrow and a respectably maverick Tory. His own Establishment credentials seem unimpeachable. Aged 51, married with three children, he is the heir to a baronetcy and

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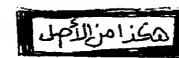
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TATE GALLERY. "THE PURSUIT OF RARE MEATS."

NEW DECORATIONS.

The Sitwell Family, emulating the Swiss Family Robinson, after a course of the novels of Thomas Love Peacock, might well be the general subject, ostensibly "The Pursuit of Rare Meats," of the wall paintings with which Mr. Rex Whistler has decorated the refreshment room at the National Gallery of British Art, Millbank, commonly called the Tate Gallery. Of the identity of the family who constitute the hunting party there can be no doubt whatever, though the artist himself is probably unaware of it. Nor is it likely that he was thinking of that other famous

Emerging from a palace in Southern Baroque, domesticated by allusions to St. Martin-in-the-Fields, the hunting party scours the world "From Chins to Peru," spearing sturgeon, hunting for truffles, and encouraging the unicorn as well as the leopard and the lion, to return at evening through a Claude-like park, having anjoyed All Summer in a Day in the course of their excursion. From time to time their eyes have been gladdened with allusions to Wilton and Stowe, oddly mingled with memories of Gryll Grange, Crotchet Castle, Headlong Hall and Nightmare Abbey. Not that the artist has anywhere checked the run of his fancy by dwelling upon particular places, real or invented, and on

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This way to the green grass

From the lawyer who wants to see her name in lights outside the Streatham Odeon, to the company accountant who is looking for wider horizons, Jo Ouston helps professionals off

their career plateaux. William Greaves reports

TAINE Donnelly seemed to have life pretty well worked out. Born within the sound of the roars emanating from Anfield, Liverpool Football Club's ground, she had gained an honours degree in law from the London School of Economics and was enjoying all the security and respectability that goes with a senior post in the Lord Chancellor's department. She was just into her forties and earning a good salary.

There was only one problem. What she really wanted to be was a film producer.

Simply another dissatisfied soul who would forever gaze wistfully in the direction of greener grass? Not at all. Miss Donnelly had merely identified herself as one of thousands of British workers who have arrived at an impasse in their

They know they have more to offer - but they are in the wrong place for anyone to hear them. They are well enough regarded and their job is not threatened, but they feel ensnared by their own moderate success. In the inelegant — and almost unspellable — jargon of the commercial psychologist, they are plateaued.

That was when Miss Donnelly, at the age of 44, went to see Io Ouston. Objective, optimistic and reassur-ingly straightforward, Miss Ouston is not one to accord berself any pretentious title. With apparent reluctance, she settles for career management consultant. But that is only because there was no readymade job description to be found in the dictionary. "I'm not a bead-bunter, I'm not really involved in outplacement, and I don't like the word counsellor," she says. "Counselling implies that someone is looking for something remedial. These are not problem people, and they are not short of potential - it is just that it needs releasing."

Miss Ouston ran the careers advisory service for the British Institute of Management, but left to set up her own firm, Jo Ouston and Co, when she discovered that companies had one great advantage over the people who worked for them. Whereas employers had a wealth of specialists to turn to when to moule into career patterns, their employees had no such mentors available. Now a steady stream of men and women come to her office in southwest London to take part in career workshops and to find a new

"People can tumble into careers because it was expected of them, and then wake up at 40 and say "What the hell am I doing here?". And yet their job may not be nearly as far removed from what they want as they suppose it is," Miss Ouston says. "There may be the perfect job for them within their present firm or, if not, a small readjustment may be all that is necessary. There is no need to throw the baby out with the bath water when all you really want is perhaps a bigger bath, or more

water.
"A company accountant, for example, may discover that what he always wanted to be was a jazz musician, and decide that now is the time to do something about it. Does he jack everything in and buy a trumpet? Wouldn't it be better to become an accountant in the entertainment industry, and see what the view looks like from there?"

If the rest of the world takes us at our own estimation, Miss Ouston's job is to make sure that it receives the best possible picture. "If I have a frustrating time in the office here and bite the head off the bus conductor on the way home, what be sees is not a woman who has had a bad day at work but an old bat,"

she says.
"So when a man comes to me and says that be thinks he is being held back because his colleagues regard him as being rather fierce and unapproachable, he is probably only irritable because his job does not demand from him a 100 per cent commitment. He is locked into a vicious circle. He is not getting on because of the image he presents, but the image he presents is condi-tioned by the fact that he is not getting on. After all, if we are cold we might look miserable. But we are

not miserable — we are just cold."

Miss Donnelly was not exactly miserable. She simply knew that it was time to change direction. "When I left school I knew I wanted to produce films, but I also knew that I had to support myself," she says. "So I am afraid I chickened out. But more than 20 years later I had this impulse that I wanted to see a film of my own up there in lights at the Streatham Odeon. Other people would have their sights set on Leicester Square, but Streatham was good enough for me."

be took the first step by herself, joined the National Film and Television School, and financed her student fees by accepting every court appearance as a lawyer that she was offered. At fiction film and two others with animation. But she has no delusions about what lies ahead in the real world.

"One of these days I am going to have to talk somebody into parting with £2 million, and to do that I have got to inspire trust. I knew that I had a tendency to be too diffident, so I went on a five-day course with Jo Ouston. A series of specialists taught me how to speak, what to speak about, and what techniques I could use to improve my voice. I was taught to be the fool as well as



the king, and already I can tell the difference. I present a case much better than I did a year ago and more as a test than anything else, I went off by myself to Cannes to an international television and film convention and made some valuable contacts, which I could never have done before.

"I don't know how it will end but I have no regrets. I couldn't have spent the rest of my life wondering what would have bappened if only I had had the guts to give it a try and at least I know I will live rich, even if I don't die rich."

Miss Ouston's clients may share a feeling that their job has stagnated, but few other factors unite them. Charles Roberts, for instance, is an accountant, aged 43, who entered the profession for three years, then but left it again nine years later. After "a number of dead ends", be became the financial accountant, reporting to the chief accountant, of a telecommunications company which grew from 450 to 1,500

employees in the four years he was there. He left earlier this year. "I was earning in the order of £23,000, which is quite low for an accountant in a growth industry, and I was getting nowhere in a dead-end situation," he says. "I knew I had more to offer, but there was some sort of locked-up potential

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which I couldn't put my finger on. I knew of Jo Ouston when she was with the BIM, and decided it was time I went to see her."

After two explorative sessions, Mr Roberts enrolled for two onetranspersonal psychologist, who offered guidance on all aspects of personality, and the second to develop "personal presence". "The original plan was to follow this up with a concentrated job search," be says, "but I decided not to go ahead with this second stage. The courses helped me so much that I knew I had to he more residuely. had to be more positive.

"With 1992 coming up, I decided to embark on an intensive period of language learning, which includes courses at Southampton university doing European studies, with a view

to finding work with a commercial organisation which has a European outlook - not just as an exporter, but as someone who is looking at the wider market. There are so many accountants coming up that I knew that, with no particular speciality to offer, there was nothing to be gained by going immediately into another job

Although both Miss Donnelly and Mr Roberts admitted that they were confronted by "middle-age crisis", not all Miss Ouston's clients

are at that stage of life.
Sonia Welch, aged 30, was, until recently, acting co-ordinator of the Angel Drugs Project in Islington, north London. "I was mainly there to give out information, advice and counselling to addicts," she

"but I decided I was ready for a move. I wanted to go outside the voluntary sector, become self-em-ployed, and take what skills I had into the workplace - a practice which is well established in the United States, but has not really got going over here. As well as helping me clarify my own thoughts, Jo put me in touch with all kinds of people with useful contacts, and I am now working at a rehabilitation drug unit in London.

"I am only m a transitional period, of course, but I know I am going in the right direction."

Players in the fiddle market

Is a Stradivarius violin an instrument of music or investment? The answer lies in two imminent London auctions

the world record price for a violin could be shattered twice during the next two days in London, sending a seismic tremolo across the highly strung fret-

work of fiddle society.

More than £500,000 could
be called at Christie's todayfor a 1720 Stradivarius known as the Mendelssohn, owned for most of its existence by descendants of the great com-poser. Tomorrow Sotheby's expects bids of up to £1 million for a 1703 Strad called the Dancia, after a minor French virtuoso who was its most

celebrated owner.
The mellifluous sound-boxes of Cremona were within the financial reach of most good soloists until well into this century. About 540 Stradivarius violins - as well as 50 cellos and ten violas suddenly inflated value.

"In general, the sterling prices of top musical inestern classical music. Now

they are — passionately."
With Strads starting to look gilt-edged, the interest may be speculative rather than artis-tic. The spectre of priceless instruments locked away in a safe haunts orchestral musicians, Their nightmare vision has a Freudian subtheme: not only is the object of desire held captive by a faceless ogre, but it is wasting away for want of physical love. Unless it is played regularly, a Strad is supposed to deteriorate. "I was always told it would go off if it was

not kept in use," reports a retired player.

Mr Beare rejects this as a double myth. "What affects Strads is not lack of use, but being played by people who do not know bow to look after them at the right temperature and humidity. There is no investment money in violins, and no violins in musty vaults." Most Strad owners, he maintains, are wealthy amateurs or semi-pros. who take out their prized pos-

session to play with friends.

A Hong Kong banker once collected 25 Strads as a hedge against inflation, but even he tried to play them all. The Dancia is being sold by a Manchester musician and Manchester musician and industrialist, Jim Reno, who gave up playing in 1972 after a coronary thrombosis. He is donating the proceeds to the Withington hospital. The Mendelssohn has been owned. and played, for the past 35 years by an anonymous American amateur, who is now selling it on behalf of

Jewish causes.
Nevertheless, once sold at auction, instruments often disappear for a generation or more. The record-holding Marie Hall Strad violin, sold in 1988 at Sotheby's for £473,000, has not been heard

since in a concert hall.

Mr Reno offered to lend his have survived two centuries of Strad to competent perform-turnoil, selfishness and skulers, but found they could not duggery, but their relative afford the insurance. At a scarcity does not account for a special rate, and with a further discount for Musicians' Union members, it still costs a player £3,375 in annual preprices of top musical insurances of top musical insurances before a payor 23,373 in annual preservations of the solo of the so Japanese weren't interested in British quartet leader who, mounting a concert platform, fell and seriously damaged his borrowed Strad.

uch father-figures as Sir Yehudi Menuhin and Isaac Stern lend their spare fiddles to protégés until they can buy one. A loan fund, run from the Musicians' Benevolent Fund and headed by the Prince of Wales, offers small amounts to young players to buy a decent in-strument, but its entire outlay over ten years amounts to just over £1.1 million - barely enough for two top-flight

There is no shortage yet of Stradivarius violins at leading dealers. Much, bowever, hangs on the outcome of this week's two sales. If either fiddle fails to sell in a recessionary climate, performers can breathe a sigh of relief. If, on the other hand, the millionpound mark is reached or breached, more fine fiddles will vanish into private collections, out of reach of all but a handful of jet-set artistes.

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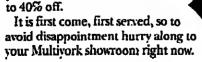
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Oasis of hope in a barren land

A one-woman helpline for the infertile has been a huge - but limited - success

tility treatment - as couples desperate to have a baby often discover. A helpline launched four months ago to offer information and counselling is already overloaded, according to the National Association for the Childless (NAC). In the first four weeks British Telecom monitored 2,150 calls to the helpline, of which only about 400 were able to get through. The service is on to its fifth answering machine: the first four broke down under the pressure.

Donna Rees, aged 29, a former midwife and sister in an infertility clinic, handles the calls alone, five days a week, from 9am to 5pm, and has been confronted by 35 messages waiting for her to deal with when she arrives at

her Birmingham office. A call trials which are looking for can last as long as an hour.

"The main problem for the majority of callers is the length ANOTHER problem which of time they have been getting the same treatment with no result and no new suggestions of what they might do next." Ms Rees says. "Regularly a woman will tell me about difficult treatment over a number of years, and when I ask what treatment ber husband has had she tells me he has never even been seen."

Ten per cent of calls are from men ringing up about their own fertility, another 10 per cent from men anxious to give their partners support. As well as giving callers counselling, the NAC helpline, which is being funded for a year by a drug company

IN SPITE of scientific ad-vances, there is still wide-offers an independent informspread ignorance about infer- ation service. Jonathan ation service. Jonathan Hearn, the spokesman for the NAC, says: "Complaints are surfacing about the autitude and knowledge of fertility clinics, both NHS and private. We feel as if we are failing because we can only cope with

10 per cent of enquiries." The NAC has a comprehensive reference library, and Ms Rees can advise callers on new treatments, and which hospitals or clinics provide what. There is, for example, an IVF project in Liverpool where a central laboratory has been set up to service all the district hospitals in the area. "Another example is the trial with human growth hormones which may help women who fail to respond to ovulation," Ms Rees says, but adds that she tells women only about

ANOTHER problem which crops up frequently is money. A single IVF attempt can cost £2,000, and there is no guarantee of success. Ms Rees explains: "Some clinics adexplains: "Some clinics advertise a higher success rate than average, which is between 10 and 15 per cent. But some call fertilising an egg a success. Some call a positive blood test a success. But many

will not result in a baby. "I tell couples to make sure they know what the price includes, because although there are a lot of people doing a lot of good work, infertile couples less, infrared headphones. The current catalogue's greatare open to exploitation."

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Words of wisdom

WHICH famous women said:

One of the things that politics

as taught me is that men are not a reasoned or reasonable sex"; "The easiest way to convince my kids that they don't really need something is to get it for them"; and "I am extraordinarily patient, provided I get my own way in the end"? The answers are Margaret Thatcher, Joan Collins and Margaret Thatcher. These and other gems attrib-uted to famous females past and present — on life, love, children and politics — are collected in Women in Quotes (Letts, £4.95), which would make an ideal stocking-filler

Decade of gems PALOMA PICASSO'S tenth anniversary of designing jewellery for Tiffany & Co will be celebrated with a collection of ten dramatic suites of gold and gemstones that go on display — and sale — from Monday. Morganite, peridot and knozite (named after Dr. George Kurz, the turn of the George Kunz, the turn-of-the century Tiffany vice-president) are combined with diamonds and pearls in Picasso settings that include the sig-

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Indian winter

THE long-anticipated Indian gallery opens at the Victoria & Albert museum on Friday. A new line of merchandise inspired by the collection, including stationery and ceramics, has been added to the museum sbop. The Nehru Gallery of Indian Art is housed in a setting meant to be evocative of the courts of Mogul palaces, with a colon-nade of treasures. These include a rare picture of a turkey, painted in 1612. There will be special talks and other activities, such as learning Indian crafts and how to create and wear a sari. For details write to the Box Office (India), Victoria & Albert museum, South Kensington, London SW7 2RL

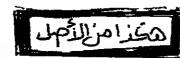
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Did anybody listen to the leaders?

Charles Wintour assesses the influence of the press on the Tory leadership challenge

tion." Since he was appearing on a television programme when he said it, the remark appeared to go unchallenged. In fact, it seems highly unlikely that the tiny electorate, which has been described as "the most sophisticated" and "the most dishonest" in the world (both cond.") (both could be true), has paid totally deferential attention to media opinion of any variety.

The 372 voters divided them-

The 372 voters divided them-selves into three camps from the start. There were the loyalists, probably the biggest group; there were the disaffected who rallied round Michael Heseltine; and there were the undecided, not more than 70 individuals, who could swing the election. One of these, Emma Nicholson, MP for Devon West, and Torridge, has revealed that she changed her mind about Mrs Thatcher over the mind about Mrs Thatcher over the course of the past 12 mouths. Two factors weighing with her were the poll tax and the effect of the business rate in her constituency. She also reckoned that threequarters of her constituents believed it was time for a change. So neither television nor the newspapers seem to have influenced that particular voter. No doubt others found a decisive factor in the weight of loyalist opinion in

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The concerned, the quality papers were far from unammous. Before the start the Independent opposed Mrs Thatcher, while the Daily Telegraph: gave her full support. As expected, the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, while support. As expected, the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, while the Daily Telegraph: gave her full support. As expected, the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, while the Daily Telegraph: gave her full support. As expected, the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, while the Daily Telegraph: gave her full support. As expected, the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, while the Daily Telegraph: gave her full support. As expected, the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, while the Daily Telegraph: gave her full support. As expected, the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, but The Fines, while the Daily Telegraph: gave her full support. As expected, the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, but The Fines, in a classic please of the control of the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, but The Fines, while the Daily Telegraph: gave her full support. As expected, the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, but The Fines, in a classic please of the control opposed Mrs Thatcher, while the Daily Telegraph: gave her full support. As expected, the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, but The Fines, in a classic please opposed Mrs Thatcher, but The Fines, while the Daily Telegraph: gave her full support. As expected, the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, but The Fines, in a classic please opposed Mrs Thatcher, while the Daily Telegraph: gave her full support. As expected, the Guardian opposed Mrs Thatcher, but The Fines, while the Daily Telegraph: gave her full support. As expected, the Guardian opposed with Guardian opposed with the day of the election before declaring strongly for her. The Fines post-Thatcher era needs to arrive

A new aspect of election opin-ion was the divisions within the same stable. The Mail on Sunday same stable. The Mail on Sunday wanted change; the Daily Mail did not. The Sunday Times reluctantly moved away from Mrs. Thatcher to Mr Heseltine; The Times stayed loyal. The current crop of press "barons" appear more relaxed about editorial independence these comments of the dependence than some of their predecessors, but, of course, no one was advocating a vote for Labour at this stage. (And only Lord Wysatt of Weeford was saying that if Mer. Treatment and the saying that if Mer. that if Mrs Thatcher was not leading the Conservatives at the next election "I would advise my millions of News of the World readers to vote for Mr Kinnock". He did not explain why, or, indeed, say what effect he thought this advice might have.)

The television screen has been carrying a horrifying amount of



election material. When overfed with political propaganda in a newspaper the reader can always skip to something more entertain-ing, such as the fact that *The Times* wine correspondent regards a Safeway beaujolais nonveau as "stunning" and puts it top of her list, while the Sunday Correspondent's expert regards the same wine as "banana essence" and put it bottom of his list. In terms of moving pictures, Mr Heseltine has undoubtedly scored because he is always on the move, usually from one television studio to the other. Mrs Thatcher, on the other hand,

has been showing that business continues as usual. For example, after telling reporters at our Paris embassy that she believed she would still be in Downing Street at the end of the week "and a little bit longer than that", she suddenly mbered that Douglas Hurd was by her side and asked him if he wanted to add anything about the conference, meanwhile uncon-cerpedly looking at her watch. Perhaps it was for such reasons that one observer suggested that Mr Heseltine had the better of "the campaign", even if he lacked the votes to bring success.

It remains doubtful whether the 70 waverers were influenced either by television images or newspaper interviews. One factor alone must have helped Mr Heseltine — and that was common both to newspapers and television. It was the constant message from the opinion polls that Mr Heseltine would have a powerful effect in restoring the Conservative share of the vote at a general election. It is true that most polls showed a revival in Conservative fortunes anyway, but news about the Labour party has been virtually obliterated by the leadership con-

test and such indications must be regarded as suspect. For the Daily regarded as suspect. For the Daily Telegraph, the true-blue Tory paper, on the very day of the vote, to carry on its front page a Gallup poll suggesting that some 20 per cent of the national electorate would consider switching to the Conservatives if the party had a new leader, may well have been the most powerful piece of propagenda produced by either side. But ganda produced by either side. But for this sophisticated (or dishonest) group of voters, ballot secrecy will ensure that we never know how some of them voted, let

alone quite wby. editor. But he claims that, after two issues it sells 40,000 copies in Anglophone Africa

Mr Newhouse is adamant that no lossmaking ventures will be supported: "We get our grant-in-aid for broadcasting, not publishing." Lack of sales has forced the World Service to reassess its participation in Newspack, a series of ring-bound booklets on current world topics launched during the summer. Originally aimed at journalists, now they are likely to be marketed more to businessmen. Optimistically, the World Service has signed an eight-year cootract with Broadside Books for its new literary venture; Mr Newhouse says the financial risk is with the

MEDIA WATCH

New view from left

SOCIALIST, a fortnightly tabloid newspaper which promises "to inform, not preach", is being launched by an umbrella group of socialist activists, including the Campaign group of left-wing Labour MPs. Ten thousand copies of the pilot issue, which offers "news, information and culture rather information and culture rather than the traditional lectures and jargon of left publications", have been distributed to Labour party members, trade unionists, envir-onmentalists, women's organisa-tions and other campaigning groups. The paper, which follows the launch by the Communist party of the tabloid Changes, starts regular publication next March.

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Green beam

GREENSAT, a collective satellite television group which provides specialist environmental, New Age and Third World development programmes free to cable operators on the Continent, Africa and the United States, is applying to the Independent Broadcasting Authority (IBA) to broadcast on one of the BSB Marco Polo satellite channels soon to be vacated by the merged British Sky Broadcasting. Greensat, which broadcasts
"unashamedly intellectual" programmes for two-and-a-half hours
a week oo the Olympus satellite,
wants the IBA to let it use one of the BSB channels for free as it is "a public service broadcaster". "We are not a campaign; we are a forum for discussion. Our intention is to advance the international de-bate," says George Rumens, Greensat's only full-time worker. MELINDA WITTSTOCK

Thish with this month's 6 per cent Finsh with this month's o per cent increase in its government funding, and enjoying the consensus that it has been doing a good job, the BBC World Service, is diversifying into book realising it can make itself more attractive to its government funders if it is seen to

Tomorrow it launches its first two titles: The Best of From Our Own Correspondent 1989-90, based on the long-running foreign affairs programme which also goes out on Radio 4, and They Made Our World, a series of profiles of scientists and inventors broadcast earlier this year.

"Where we can exploit our product commercially, we'll do it," says Ernest Newhouse, the World Service's chiefaccountant, who has been overseeing new ventures. Under John Tuse, its energetic managing director, the World Service is

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The BBC World Service

is spreading its net to include book publishing

distribution costs in the Far East, the magazine, with boosted editorial content, is printed in Singapore as well as London. Over the past three years, Huna London, the BBC Arabic Service's programme guide, has been similarly transformed. It sells 50,000 copies a month, at prices ranging from 15p in Egypt to £1 in

says the last issue sold 12,053 copies in Saudi Arabia, making it the biggest selling foreign magazine in the country. He has recently launched a series of Arabic books, the Huna London Library.

Focus on Africa, the BBC Africa
Service's most influential programme, gave its name to a full-colour quarterly magazine this year. The operation is run on a shoestring, with *Focus's* senior producer, Robin White, doubling as

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On Monday for much of the first act there was the feel of the reserve team taking the field. Gone was the sparring between those two masters of Italian comedy, Gabriel Bacquier and Ruggero Raimondi as Dons Barrolo and Basilio. Eric Garrett took tectering little steps across the stage as a Bartolo racked with arthritis and possibly worse, but the voice had uncomfortably dry patches in the aria. Alexander Morozov, latest in a long and distinguished line of Russian Basilios, had no such vocal problems - his bass is buge - but like some of his fellow countrymen he mangled the words and with them the jokes.

All the humour was left to another Russian, the baritone Vladimir Chernov, in a five-star house debut as Figaro. Chernov's progress has been charted here from his performances with the

Kirov, both in Leningrad and during their London visit, and with Scottish Opera in Forza. The voice is now resplendent and brimming with confidence. Seville's barber, played with the arm and ankle movements of a commedia dell'arte Harlequin, is a Cheeky Chappie and something more besides. Chernov, who performs with the swagger if not the height of the young Sherrill Milnes, makes it clear that Figaro is the man who oils the wheels as well as trims the wigs in Seville.

It is scarcely surprising that American houses, including The Met, have been fast to sign him up. Covent Garden should insist on an early return, preferably in Verdi.

Possibly inspired by Chernov, the British team showed better form in Act II. Justin Lavender, who had made a wretched start with "Ecco ridente", displayed an agile, lightish tenor and engaging humour as Almaviva Della Jones, too stodey in her opening scene. injected some bite inm Rosina in Contro un cor. Gulhan Knight put much feeling into Berta's little lament about the lot of old maids who have to tidy up the mess left behind by the likes of counts and barbers. Gabriele Ferro conducted. a persuasive storm.

But there is no doubt about who gets things moving in Seville this time round. Vladimir Chernov.

JOHN HIGGINS



Brimming with confidence: Vladimir Chernov as Figaro

CONCERT LS/Zagrosek Queen Elizabeth Hall

WITH its financial future now apparently assured, the London Sinfonietta was in much better shape on Monday than a fortnight ago. Or maybe it was just that Lothar Zagrosek was conducting The performances be elicited of two contrasted Webern scores, the tenuous Five Pieces and the tightly knotted Concerto, were

DANCE

Swan Lake

Sadler's Wells

WHEN this production by the

Moscow Classical Ballet was seen

in Britain two years ago, it was on

larger stages but still looked

cramped. How much more so at

Sadler's Wells, even though Tim

Goodchild's decor has been cut

However, the stage must not

take too much of the blame for a

lacklustre opening night. The production itself is treither very

good nor very bad; it has some

good touches but rather more silly

ones. Much depends oo how well

it is danced, and although the

corps de ballet is no better than

humdrum, the casts had the

coaching from distinguished vet-

erans borrowed from the Bolshoi

Ballet. There is no longer much

sign of them remembering those

Vera Timashova's playing of

the double-barrelled ballerina role

has lost its allure, apart from some

exceptionally fast fouettes. Alexan-

der Gorbatsevich (who missed

appearing here before because of

injury) proves to be a stodgy Siggfried; he fails to display any

Depeche Mode

Wembley Arena

IF THEIR name means anything

at all, it says that fashions burry

by. Yet Depeche Mode are them

selves the exception that proves

the rule. Geographically they may

hail from Basildon but musically

they have put down their roots in

that little corner of pop history

which is forever outer space, also

show, apparently supplied by the

constructivist arm of the Lego

corporation, made a good fist of

carbon-dating the band. A back-

drop of three socialist realist

pyramids made up of grey

The set design for their live

ROCK

back more than somewhat.

exceptionally fine, with all the problems of blending, balance and interplay between instruments beautifully resolved Each movement thus became a whole thing, a continuous if fugitive or variegated piece of musical substance. and not just a chain of unanswered Questions.

Offering these early 20th-century classics along with two other pairs of dissimilar works was intelligent programming. Pieces by Xenakis provided the concert's frame, with new scores by Franco Donatoni and H K. Gruber within. The Donatoni was Cloches, for artist of trony, but here the genre's

great conviction in his acting.

As before, the national dances

are better done than the classical

scenes. The Mazurka and the

Spanish dance in particular go

with much flair. Even young

Vladimir Malakhov, remembered

as the company's best male

lights out of his bostess as an

implausible way of persuading her

is specially recommended, as is

the all-purpose conclusion where

the principals die, one after the

other, on the slightest pretext, but

the swan chorus enjoy a happy

The 38-strong London Gala

Orchestra presumably does its

best with Vladimir Rylov's some-

times eccentric view of Tchai-

kovsky's tempi. The season runs

until Saturday with varying casts.

breezeblocks and illuminated

pilasters were sometimes obscured

by two screens onto which were

projected video images of stan-

dard low-rent pretentiousness. If

any era had a copyright on this

genre of cod Fritz Lang presenta-

tion, it was the one that spawned

Depeche Mode reconstruct a

thin slice of the past with machine

precision, mainly because they

have machines to help them. If it

were not that he was evidently a

ghost inside one of said machines.

the drummer would have to be

marked down as the hard worker

The pre-programmed percus-

sion track was so keen to get on

erately cut short the audience's

participation in "Everything

Counts", moving swiftly on to the

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene. Chess Correspondent

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with the show that it inconsid-

in the band.

so-called New Romanticism.

JOHN PERCIVAL

two pianos with percussion, woodwind octet and, ultimately, the promised bells a work of characteristically brittle sound and stuttering rhythm, losing its weard isolation only in the Messiaen-like wind writing, which in this performance was a little

wobbly in ensemble. Gruber's piece was a single-movement Cello Concerto, keenly played by Christopher van Kampen, but currously faceless: a mildly pleasant piece with mild pleasantries. Like other Viennese contemporaries, Gruber is an

ghosts of soulfulness and dexterity are too weakly evoked for their undercutting to have much in the way of force.

Force there was in plenty. though, in the Xenakis pieces. Timothy Lines was the impressive soloist in Echange, for bass clarinet and ensemble, and there was a strong closing performance of Jalons, a hot and clamorous score for 15 players sounding like a full orchestra. It is good to know that there will be more evenings like

PAUL GRIFFITHS

poxy, eyeless heretic to include in

The painter, it seems, can only

paint what he sees. Do not ask

how he managed to see the

Madonna in a tart; he stands for

The Arusi Who Must Speak The

Truth. The tart goes mad and the

ambassador goes a-begging with a

starving urchin who sees in his

plight "a nice little earner". I

forget what happened to the

pephew but the kitchen maid's

cat's kittens are all drowned. Yes,

Fleetingly, the play hints that literacy is good for you (the

ambassador teaches the servants

to read). Another notion, that

Artists Must Be Respected, is

scuppered by the paroter's silli-

ness. The characters snart, they

spit, they peel potatoes, look

through telescopes and count

A programme note reveals that

this mess was conceived as part of

a larger play introducing Obver

Cromwell and Charles Darwin. At

I do out think the cast of this

touring production would wish to

be identified. In his cell the am-

bassador asks: "Why, oh why did I

ever come here?" Yes, indeed.

least we have been spared that.

land under another name.

even the ganger one.

his juicy religious mural.

THEATRE Peaches Lyric Studio, Hammersmith

dancer, looks more at ease in the SOME plays are stinkers because a lively Venetian dance than in the promising idea is reduced to would-be courtly pas de trois, but scraps by an author's poor craft. some of the blame must go to an Others get nowhere because the inferior arrangement of the latter. initial idea is rubbish. Worst of all The Russian dance, too, is a is a play like this one, written by disappointment in choreography Elisabeth Bond and directed by and performance: the music calls Peter Warde for all it is worth for something much more subtle. that is, without tension or charm. Among various innovations which may give unintended amusement to bardened swan This kind of play has no discernible idea yet two hours of precious life are wasted while we scan the spouers, the sight of the villain stage, sift the dialogue, straining to Rothbart scaring the living day-

clutch some lifetine of a meaning. We are to 16th-century Venice, a setting that invariably spells disaster for the modern playwright. A grubby painter is sketching a grubby prosurute for his Virgin and Child. The pious English ambassador is flung into prison by a half-dressed cardinal who orders the prostitute to infect him with the pox. Infect the ambassador, that is; the cardinal has the pox already, as well as a boringly mad nephew and a fear of hell fire. To avoid the latter he has the ambassador publicly blinded

so as in provide the painter with a

introductory thrashes of "Master

Thus was terminated one of the

show's brief flirtations with

humanoid input. With three of the

band members parked upstage

behind banks of keyboards, the

job of not looking like a computer

operanve fell solely in Dave

Gahan, who took to the task with

much vocal moaning and droning,

camp gyration and beavy-metallic

mike-stand manipulation. With

almost everything else about the

show being so studiously mechan-

istic, it came as a surprise when he

A genuine instrument, it should

be reported, was sighted during

songwriter Martin Gore's acoustie

interlude. One sensed that he

made too much of the moment,

plucking aggressively at his guitar

almost as if to let the auchence

saw fit to towel hunself down.

and Scrvant".

JEREMY KINGSTON

know that it really was him pulling the strings.

He stepped forward again in "Enjoy the Silence", one of a clutch of lugubrious songs the band performed from the new album Violator (much the best of which was the high-octane "Personal Jesus"). Tantalising us with the hitherto remote possibility of a bona fide solo, he opted instead in treat his curvaceous instrument as a dance partner.

To some this may have looked distinctly like a failure of nerve. But to most members of a full house high on the excitement improbably whipped up by Depeche Mode's identikit brand of electropop, the symbolism of the moment would not have counted for much.

JASPER REES

NEW RELEASES

e CRIstenAL LAW (18) Meretricious traffie acout a smart attiomer entergad in the case of a murderous phydoseth freet performaces (Cery Odmant Asve Secon), but the script cample the last a style Dro hartin Campbell Neftin Campball Cannonic Cheeses (171-352-5986) Hayenerus (171-835-1527) Shimeabury Avenus (171-835-8881).

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& AN AMBEL AT MY TABLE (15)" Jane Campion & excellent film about Zameno vinter James Frante. Renon (07) 637 8402).

· BETSY'S WEDDING (15) Alan Alda's uneven but engaging comedy about pre-nemage himsoli Odeon Mezzanine (071-930-6111). e BIRD ON A WIRE (12) Emph-headed chase move with one, Mei Quson and Goldie Hewr is the power to pull us through. Pezzi (071-497 9899) Whiteseys (071-792 9899)

BULLSEYE (15) Bulletye is gracily what BULLESTY 100 Instancy 4 graciny wind prograf Machae Winney does not in a titre secondus comedy with Nachael Caine and Rogar Moore is a couple of commen. Opeon Marchae Andr. (077-723-2011) Warner (071-439-0791).

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C) BAJAZET Placine in the harant: Terence Rigby's notable vizer is an earlity contrast to the amorous scruptes; endeamely staged Image Almade Street N1 (071-359)

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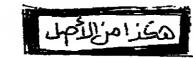
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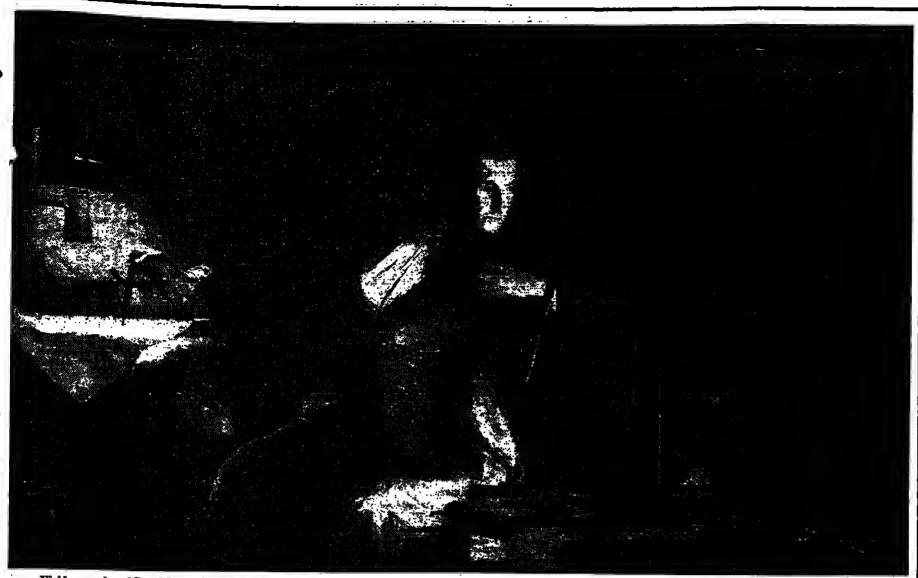
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Vivid examples of Scottish creativity in science and art: J.E. Lander's "James Watt and the Steam Engine" and (below) Eduardo Paolozzi's "His Majesty the Wheel"

Five millennia of tartan myths

he City of Culture's ex-hibition programme has been nothing if oot am-bitious. Until now, Glasgow's Glasgow, a trasby, jumbled, day-out-for-the-kids affair - had been the most depressing instance of curatorial folie de grandeur. Its scope, if not its scale, however, was modest compared with Scotland Creates. Five millennia of a nation's culture constitute a tall order to appraise in exhibition

When the ultimate European accolade was bestowed upoo "the" dear green place" oo the Clyde, professional eyebrows were raised in that other cultural place over on the Forth. In the event, however, Edinburgh decided to be big about the inferred slight and for. Scotland Creates the national treasure bouses sited in the capital have been denuded of their Scottish gems, and several specialists from the National Galleries and Museums have contributed worthy essays to the fine book which accompanies the exhibition.

A chronological survey of such a vast period would have been absurd and tedious, so the organisers have plumped for the thematic option; art and artefacts are assembled under banners such "Kingdom and Kirk" and Land of Adam" in an attempt, one assumes, to construct an image of Scotland's past rather than teach a lesson. This was sensible. The country's history as reflected in its products is so bound up with myths, coloured by fantasy and distorted by misconception, that any stepby-step guide would defy normal

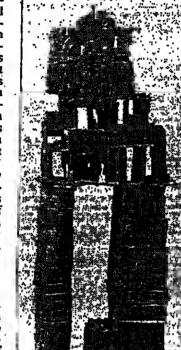
Because of its political absorptioo and military subjugatioo by England, Scotland is an immensely confused country: mostly Andrew Gibbon Williams discovers a sturdy celebration of Scottish history and art at Glasgow's latest exhibition, Scotland Creates

English speaking but with a heritage richer and more influential than many Scandinavian or continental countries. And the man who petrified that cultural confusioo in the oational consciousness was Sir Walter Scott. It was Scott wbo reinvented his country's known history, filtering it through his own romantic sensibility, impressing his stamp oo it to such a degree that even today it is difficult not to view Scottish modernism as a reaction against his version of events.

The crux of the show is rightly the section dubbed "Scott Recreates". Here, one literally comes face to face with the Laird of Abbotsford: a giant mask has been constructed and, inside the roomy skull cavity, Scott memorabilia (first editions and such like, borrowed from his baronial pile on the Tweed) have been laid

The rest of the room is bedecked by a host of 19th-century Scottish masterpieces, most owing much to Scott's inspiration. Henry Rae-burn's portrait, "MacDonnell of Glengarry", the model for Scott's highland chief in The Heart of Mid-Lothian, dominates, but there is also David Wilkie at his early genre best in the "Penny Wedding" and a glut of history pictures typified by James Drum-mood's "Porteous Mob", a historical recreation of the riotous reaction to Queen Anne's strictures oo her rebellious northern

Presumably because of the abundance of material available from the age of the Scottish Enlightenment, Scotland Creates



is heavily weighted towards the 18th century. In the Adam section the castellated facade of the architect's Setoo Castle - Robert in his more nostalgic, Scottish mode rather than Classical - has been somewhat indicrously mocked up to house volumes of Adam père's Vitruvius Scoticus and a tome of his son's own more influential Alongside, Allan Ramsay (Robert's Grand Tour travelling companion, doyen of the Enlightenment and arguably Scotland's greatest portraitist) is represented by his polished full-length of the young Lord Mount Stuart and his stunning, pretty picture of the second Mrs Ramsay.

The strain of earlier romanticism detectable here is emphasised in a separate display dedicated to Alexander Runciman's destroyed Ossian cycle. The Celtic bard, Ossian, and his Fingal poems were frauds so cleverly perpetrated by the 18th-century poet James Macphersoo that the entire intelligentsia of Europe was taken in. In a way he can be seen as symbolic of the dubious, mythic national identity which took root in Scotland after the Act of Union and the debacle of Jacobism. Scots may have been created, but Ramsay (George III's preferred paint-Adam and his ilk were all North Britons to a man and Scott the highest of High Tories.

Curiously centre-stage at the McLellan is "The Art of Constructing a Past", in which the creators of Scotland Creates themselves attempt to weave a myth around Scotland's prehistory. An "interpretation" of the extraordinary house at Skara Brae, Orkney (Hanna Barbera's Flintstooes were not too wide of the mark!) and a half-circle of Celtic crosses are backed up by the Celtic-inspired prints of cootemporary painter Kate Whiteford, a tacky grotto realised by the photographer Ron O'Donnell, and a totemic sculpture derived from a Mackintosh chair.

The point of this is obscure, the element of fun inappropriate, but what is certain is that the modern concept of "art" and "design" would have been as incomprehensible as that of "Scottishness" itself to the ancient folk who ground the bone necklaces in the Orkneys. Likewise, the medieval metalworkers, responsible for the maces and croziers which are one of the glories of this show, saw themselves as part of an international creanve brotherhood.

Ironically, in view of Glasgow's raison d'être, industrial design is given short shrift. Fortunately, bowever, in the 19th-century Scotland's painters frequeotly used the country's great scientific discoveries as subject matter: a particularly fine example is Lauder's painting, "James Watt and the Steam Engine". Nevertheless, an encounter with a reconstructed section of the Forth Rail Bridge, this year enjoying its centenary, is one of the most memorable single experiences of the show. The Glasgow School, boys and girls, the Scottish Colourists and modern painters are all included but they have all been honoured this year elsewhere in Glasgow, so a sense of dejà vu is inevitable.

The question that all this begs is: who is such a show aimed at? For the connoisseur with the right background, it is an enjoyable romp. Perhaps the curious child will be stimulated by the whim-sical displays. But for the Texan tourist - he the City of Culture hopes to attract - for whom Scotland means golf, tartan, haggis, Pringle and the Famous Grouse, it will be a perplexing experience.

Scotland Creates is at the McLellan Galleries, Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow (041 331 1854) umil

'It's up to me to bang the gong'

Sir Peter Hall, 60 tomorrow, intends to go

on and on. Interview by Benedict Nightingale

esnite tomorrow's birthday, Peter Hall is thinking of slowing down or retiring about as seriously as the Thames contemplates stopping at Green-wich rather than continuing to the sea. "No fear," says the Old Man River of the British theatre. "If you have a job you have a passion for. von don't want take it easy. I hope to keel over in the playhouse. In the 1950s I was the youngest director, so maybe one day I'll be the oldest."

He created the Royal Shakespeare Company, he established the National Theatre in its South Bank home, and now he is on the bridge of his Peter Hall Company, charting the way ahead as he turns the wheel. An unnamed Shakespeare play and Tennessee Williams's The Rose Tattoo, with Juhe Walters, will be staged by him at the Playhouse after his revival of Pinter's Homecoming, which opens at the Com-edy in January.

After that, who knows? Almost

certainly, a new American play about Goering with the German actor Klaus Maria Brandauer. Maybe Alex Jennings in Shaw's

man, Vanessa Redgrave and her daughter Natasha Richardson in Eugeoe O'Neill's Mourning Becomes Electra, and Richardsoo as Rosalind in As You Like It. Hall's hopes of bringing Sean Connery on stage as Ibsen's Master Builder, and getting Paul Scofield to npdate his celebrated Lear, seem more

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In its two-year existence, Hall's company has been more successful on than off the stage. Vanessa Redgrave and Dusun Hoffman went from Londoo to New York with his productions of, respec-tively, Orpheus Descending and Merchant of Venice. His Wild Duck may become a film on television, as *Orpheus* did in America. The problem has not been attracting talent, but finding a base in the West End. Plays planned for the Haymarket ended at the Phoenix, leaving Hall feeling like "a bobbing cork going wherever happened to be available.

There is a hard-core audience for classic revivals or serious new plays of about 40,000 or 50,000 people," he says. "I want them to know my address. I want to give a medium-sized theatre, maybe the Playhouse, a policy and an identity. Then it's up to me to bang the gong and build some solid support"

Gong-banging is even more vital in the commercial than in the subsidised sector. Two flops in succession, and Hall's company might well fold. "I can't take these same risks," says Hall. "I have always asked myself what is the must-see quality of this play?' But now the must-see quality has to be much more immediate. There needs to be something or some-one, a Dustin, Vanessa or

Brandauer. Yet already there has been an interesting exception to this rule. A relatively unglamorous Wild Duck actually turned a profit.

Why? Well, one reason was surely a production that answered those who complain that the Peter Hall Company is not an ensemble or even truly a company. An ad-hoc cast looked as if it had been

together for years.

Hall agrees, modestly crediting the British theatre itself. "It is a permanent company of 800 or 900 first-class actors, who seem all to have worked with each other. If you cast a play well, you'll ofteo find on the first day of rehearsal there's 400 or 500 years of shared experience there. There's a lingua frança, a trust."

In his view, this derives from the work of the RSC, the National and the reps. That makes him impatient with any suggestion that his company's success proves that good theatre does not need subsidy. "Absolutely the reverse," he says. "I am living on the 35 years I spent in the subsidised sector. On the actors, writers, and audience we created."

Indeed, be is still the Peter Hall who spent his last years at the National denouncing the govern-

ment for failing to subsidise the the atre at cootinental levels. "I've been accused of whingeing, complaining carrying on, and I'll do so as long as they go on break-ing their promise, which was that sponsorsbip was for experiment and ceotral grants would not be reduced."

Insufficient subsidy, be says, has dispatched Peter

Brook to Paris, sent many a promising playwright to television, shrunk casts and seasons, and made it tough to stage or see Shakespeare. This last is a particu-lar sorrow. "It's a reason for my chief worry about the theatre, which is that the craft of playing Shakespeare is diminishing, Actors no longer grow up with him. You can't do Shakespeare oow without first spending at least two weeks teaching them the ABC: where you breathe, how you parse and phrase him."

Hall's departure from Glyndebourne will not stop him staging the odd opera. Peter Grimes in Munich and La Bohème in Los Angeles are in prospect. He also hopes to direct original movies as well as films of his company's plays. David Edgar's adaptation of George Eliot's Mill on the Floss is a possibility, as is the story of Caruso and his two opera-singer in reverse".

But the theatre will remain the centre of Hall's sixties. Asked if he could ever renounce it, he becomes as emphatic as Lear. "Never, never, never, never," he says. "Not for anything. Because of the joy of rehearsing, the communal sense of discovery. People say, the theatre's so oldfashioned, so clumsy. I say, give me six actors, three days and a room, and I'll create something which could fire your imagination. Give me three days on a film set, and I'll have 15 bits of jigsaw

puzzle. Good, but oot the same."

Harmonious exchange

ORCHESTRAL bistory is made in Leningrad tonight, when the Chicago Symphony Orchestra embarks on its first-ever tour of Eastern Europe. The New York Philharmonic toured the Soviet Union three decades ago under Bernstein, and in recent years a number of American orchestras have made the long trek east; but Chicago – one of the world's highest-paid orchestras – has so far declined to visit the spartan hotels east of Berlin.

The Russian concerts, under Sir Georg Solti, are part of an exchange: at the same time the Leningrad Philharmooic, under Yuri Temirkanov, will be performing in Chicago. Later the Chicago players and Solti move on to Moscow, Budapest and Vienna. Solti has, appropriately enough for

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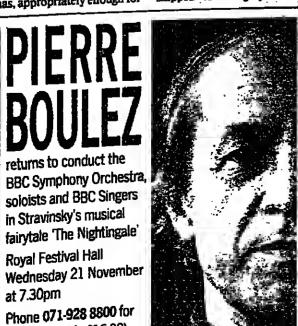
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BRIEFING a Hungarian emigré, programmed an all-Bartok concert for his triumphant return to Budapest.

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Budapest still, frantically shooting six days a week, in an effort to

finish by November 30. All going nuts

THERE will be a surfeit of Sugar Plum Fairies in Britain this Christmas: all three of the country's top ballet companies will be offering The Nutcracker as their holiday season fare. Leading the way is English National Ballet, which has been performing Tchaikovsky's popular classic at Festival Hall for the past 33 years; this year, it will present 31 performances of Peter Schaufuss's ecceptric version. At Covent Garden, The Nutcracker returns after an absence of four years with 17 performances of Peter Wright's oostalgic production, and in the Midlands. Wright is working on

yet another Nucracker for his own

Birmingham Royal Ballet, All

cracking good shows, no doubt.

Last chance. JOSEPH Oppenheimer (1876-1966) had studios in both New York and Londoo by 1900 and contioued working until he died at the age of 90. His best pictures combine an Expressionist strength of colour with an Impressionist delicacy of tone. A dashing por-trait paioter, be also excelled at landscapes and flower pieces. A retrospective of his work, with 100 exhibits on show, finishes today at

Maze of contradiction

than Peter Taylor to bring to television documentaries the realities rather than the rhetoric of Northern Ireland. His Inside Story Special entitled "The Maze - Enemies Within" (BBC 1), was characteristically cool and collected. For that rea-son, it will have infuriated several millioo viewers.

The Maze is what used to be cailed Long Kesh: the H-block prison where loyalists and republicans are housed within separate wings to live out sentences that, in one case, amounted nn paper to a total of 410 years.

Asked what he had done to

achieve this remarkable total, the prisoner catalogued three murders, a manslaughter, arms of-fences, conspiracy and several attempted murders. After 13 years in the Maze, he now gets three days in summer to visit his family and six at Christmas. He is beginning to come around to thinking that there should be some kind of a compromise settlemeot, and his wife has oo plans for remarriage. He is also on a committee which sits regularly to decide on behalf of prisoners whether they are getting ade-quately sized sausage rolls and proper facilities with which to celebrate the Battle of the Boyne.

The Maze has come a long way since hunger strikers smeared its cell walls with excrement and Bobby Sands died as a newly elected Westminster MP. Several of its prisoners are now studying Open University courses and four have already graduated with hon-ours. Nearly 400 men are locked up there, all convicted of terrorist offences and most serving life sentences for murder.

Prison officers accept that if they take discipline too far they will themselves end up with a bullet in the head, and the prisoners are therefore allowed their own organisations. They, as well as their jailers, have their own St James's Art Group, 91 Jermyn commanding officer, and a man in St. London SW1 (071-321 0233). charge of welfare and family visits.

"If I go too far, there will be retribution, even a killing. It is all highly controlled. I would not live long if I broke the rules." This was not a prisoner talking about other prisoners, but one of the guards talking about his own life. Taylor's film, directed by Steve Hewlett, was at its best when illustrating such paradoxes. The Maze is not just a prison: it is a socialist collective, a highly organised, closed community with its own shops, sports fixtures and classrooms. University courses most favoured are in pobtics, econom-

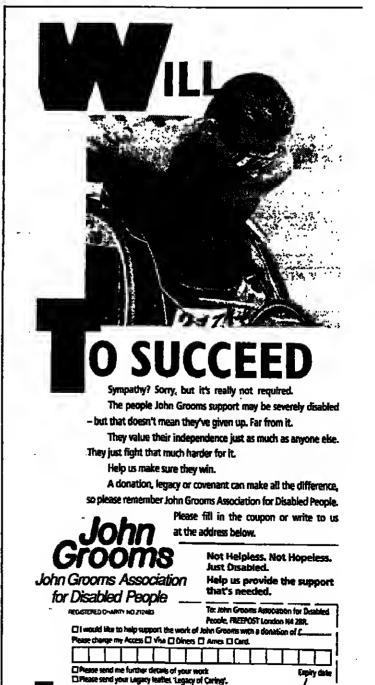
ics and the Irish language.

As a result, the cells are still remarkably active. Although the outside world may (even in Belfast) be moving into the 21st century, in prison time has stood still for two decades, and maybe 300 years before that. These men do oot mind being called murderers, but do not much care for the label psychotic. Republicans and loyalists alike are locked in with no certainty of a release date, but regularly reviewed by committees to decide if they might ever again be fit for freedom.

The contradiction is that the longer they stay locked together in their own political and prison cells, the less likely they are to come to any other view of the Irish world than that which first put them into this fortress. Hence the decision to let them briefly out into a family life where, with a little luck, they may one day not be treated as the heroes they still

consider themselves to be. Taylor's film in its own uncritical but observant way found the beginnings of a kind of regret from one or two of those under arrest. But how long, oh Lord, how long? If a man can be serving 400 years, be perhaps can reckon his politics on a similar time-frame. The rest of us would rather not wait that long for an end to the killings which were chillingly echoed from recent news bulietins over the closing captions.

SHERIDAN MORLEY



Moscow jolts Nato with low arms figures

FIOM MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT IN PARE

cancelled a trip to Moscow amid suspicions about new Soviet figures on tanks and artillery in Europe. The cancellation comes only a day after the signing of the Conventional Arms in Europe (CFE) treaty.

Washington says the experts. who were hoping to check recent weapon withdrawals east of the Ural mountains, need more time to evaluate the figures

Nato arms control negotiators had been expecting revised figures from Moscow in time for the signing of the treaty in Paris on Monday. It had been clear for some time that the Russians had been moving large numbers of tanks and artillery out of the area

covered by the treaty.
When Washington first raised this with Moscow, an American team was invited to go to the Soviet Union to assess the data as a way of reassuring America that the Russians were not trying to build up a new strategic force outside the treaty area. Douglas Hurd, the British foreign secretary, also pressed his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze, to explain the withdrawals.

According to sources, the Americans were to have flown out on Sunday, the same day the Soviet negotiators at the CFE talks in Vienna presented the latest data on the categories of equipment covered by the treaty.

The figure that caused greatest surprise was 13,828 artillery pieces. Nato's assessment of Soviet artillery stocks in the treaty area, west of the Urals, was 18,000. That figure was published only last week.

The reduced figure means the Russians will have to destroy only 653 artillery pieces, instead of the 4,825 expected by the West. Under an agreement with its East European allies, the Soviet Union is allowed to have 13,175 artillery pieces in the area west of the

A diplomatic source said: "The Russians talk about converting arms systems. But while you can convert tanks for civilian use, it's difficult to think what you can do with artillery, unless as a part of a

Washington decided to postpone the trip to Moscow, to evaluate the new figures. The figure for tanks was 20,694. In January 1989, the Russians said they had 42,000 tanks in the region. This summer it had dropped to 24,000. The new figure means the Russians will have to destroy 7,544 tanks.

Diplomats say it is easier to tanks. President Gorbachev had announced in his United Nations speech in December 1988 that he planned to withdraw 10,000 tanks from eastern Europe. These tanks have been relocated east of the

But, discounting the 10,000,

AMERICAN arms experts have that leaves more than 12,000 tanks that have been withdrawn from the treaty area. The Russians have told the West what they plan to do with the 20,000-odd tanks that were listed as CFE-related last year but which have now been wiped off the list: 8,000 will be converted or destroyed, 4,000 have already been written off as scrap and 8,000 are to replace older tanks in Soviet Asia.

A source said: "We haven't accused the Russians of breaching the spirit of the CFE treaty because we can't. First of all, the treaty won't be in force for several months (because it has to be ratified) and, second, for 40 years, we have been calling on the Soviets to withdraw their tanks from central Europe. Now they have done it, we can hardly complain." The Russians, however, are aware that unless they satisfy the Americans over the large stocks of tanks and other equipment building up east of the Urals, the CFE treaty will run into difficulties with the American Senate, which has to ratify it.

The latest Soviet figures on other arms categories are 1,330 helicopters and 6,445 aircraft, which are also lower than Nato's estimates of 1,500 Soviet heli-copters and 6,700 aircraft.

Under a separate declaration, each alliance has agreed not to exceed 430 land-based naval aircraft, with no single country allowed more than 400. Since the Soviet Union claims it has exactly 400 such aircraft, none will have to be scrapped.

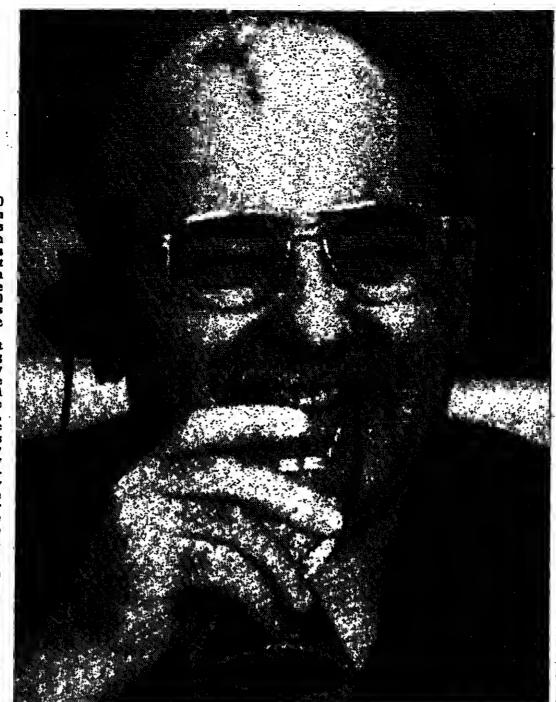
Thatcher

pledges to

Mr Baker was also disappointed

that there had not been an outright

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Raising the arms question: President Gorbachev quenches his thirst at the Paris conference

Tough year to decide Tory fate By RICHARD FORD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT THE next 12 months will tax the

fight on diplomatic and political skills of the occupant of 10 Downing Street in a way that could determine whether the Conservatives win a Norman Tebbit, the former party chairman, described her vote of 55 fourth term. per cent as a "cracking" result, but David Waddington, the home secretary, said be was very Next month, two inter-gov-

ernmental conferences open in Rome to chart the future of the European Community and both have the potential to trigger deep divisions within the Conservative The conferences will be on

result. "For this to go on for another week is unsettling. So I am looking for a speedy resolution," European political union and economic and monetary union. he said. Asked on Channel 4 News if the time had now come for Mrs The meetings will flesh out the hatcher to bow out with dignity declarations agreed by 11 of the EC leaders at last month's Rome said there was no question of her summit. That ended with Mar-Michael Portillo, the local government minister, said: Mrs
Thatcher will be in the second garet Thatcher isolated, and her subsequent Commons statement to be the catalyst for Sir Geoffrey ballot. No minister will run Howe's resignation and the leaderagainst her. She got many more ship contest. than the next candidate. She must

Against Mrs Thatcher's wishes, the 11 other heads of government agreed to begin the second stage of economic and monetary union in 1994. She was also alone in expressing reservations about the summit's conclusions on political union. Mrs Thatcher described ideas for overhauling EC instim-tions as a "ragbag of proposals".

On the domestic scene, Conscir-Britain refused to endorse proposals to extend majority voting to taxation, the environment, social affairs and other matters; to give more power to the European parliament; to define European citizenship; to work towards a common foreign policy and to seek a greater community role in

security and defence. The Foreign Office hopes, however, that with Luxembourg and The Netherlands holding the EC presidency for the next year, there will be more sympathy for Britain's views.

Ministers want to devise a strategy that will command the support of the bulk of the party and end the damaging confusion to Europe. Douglas Hurd signalled the need for such a devclopment when he said: "When the [leadership] contest is over, the prime minister and the cabinet will want to consider how to draw the threads of our policy on Europe together, unmistakably,

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GLASGOW

vative MPs are bracing themselves for a fresh wave of unpopularity next spring as councils set their poll tax levels. With the economy still expected to be in the doldrums, unhappiness over the community charge is likely to result in poor opinion poll ratings and, if Mrs Thatcher is prime minister, a further bout of speculation about her leadership.

Only a few weeks later on May 2, elections will be held for 12,253 scats in 36 English metropolitan councils and in 333 district conficils in England and Wales. The elections will offer some pointers on whether the government could risk going to the country in June or October. If there is not a general ister will face the dilemma of either going to the country in October or in 1992.

Should she wait until 1992, the prime minister faces creating the perception that the government is chinging to power until the last

Political sketch

'Gazza' unavailable as temple crumbles

THE committee room in which the great event was to be staged was packed. Ourside, a queue of would-be spectators was held back by parliamentary order-lies. The air buzzed with the whispers of waiting journalists. The world watched.

Gary Lineker, the England captain, was to appear before the all-party football com-mittee, at 6 pm. "Gazza" being unavailable, "Lazza" was the star attraction.

Not far away, a sideshow was attracting some slight attention. Voting was soon to close on who should be prime minister. The incumbent, Mrs Thatcher, ("Thazza") was being challenged by a man nicknamed "Tarzan". If Tazza could make it to round two, "Dazza" Hurd and "Jazza" Major - and the fearsome "Nazza," from Chingford - would be under pressure to stand. But only if Thazza stood down.

As reporters waited, hoping to catch news, views, or at least quips, from MPs hurrying to vote, Nazza's latest joke was circulating, to merriment.

There's a dream ticket for the leadership. Have you heard?" Mr Tebbit apparently enquired, poker-faced, over a drink following a satellite TV discussion. "My brain in Michaci Hescitine's body."

As so often in these affairs of state, the journalists appeared to be interviewing each other. From time to time a Tory MP or minister would try to join in, but it was clear that the main actors were confused about events. The media appeared to have the most confident grasp, and were easerly explaining to each other what was happening and what it meant.

It struck me that these leadership crises could most usefully be staged without involving MPs at all. Is it not the press which sets the stage, creates the roles, and auditions politicians hopeful of appearing in our show? MPs make an amateurish and often haphazard contribution. Often they do not understand what it is we want them to say. Their fumbled input requires brutal editing. MPs

should be dropped entirely from the screenplay and referred to only indirectly.

Perhaps the saddest of sights was that of backbenchers whom none of the journalists recognised, striding from the ballot, ready with a wry "no comment" and a smile for the cameras - only to find that nobody was asking. Some said "no comment" anyway, hovered for a moment, then moved

sadly off. "We check," said Sir Michael Shaw, presiding over the ballot, that they are who they say they

With the inimitable Teddy Taylor (C, Southend E), there was no need to check "Any comment, Mr Taylor?"

"Yes. In all my years, I've never seen anything so cruel and so nasty." He stalked off. "So he's wavering," muttered

Sir Anthony Meyer strode by. "I'm not revealing which can-didate I supported, but it was a

in the chamber, it was insufferable. They were discussing health questions: but the atmosphere resembled the waiting room adjacent to an intensive care ward, as friends and relations of a patient in critical condition try to while away the hours playing Scrabble. Minds were elsewhere and they almost forgot to welcome to the despatch box a brand new secretary

of state, William Waldegrave. "I hope he'll still be there after 6.30 pm," said Labour's Robin Cook, generously. He was. So was she.

The beheading of the Duke of Monmouth, 305 years ago, was apparently a grisly affair. It took seven chops of the axe. After the third chop the duke was reported as looking up and

enquiring "Is that it?".

It wasn't, quite. Nor for her, yesterday, quite. But, like Rasputin, though much nicer, Thazza is running out of lives. And like Samson - "Sazza" she seems determined to bring the Tory temple down around

MATTHEW PARRIS

Bush close to agreement

Continued from page 1 officials as a perfect illustration of how President Saddam was ignoring the warnings from the rest of the world.

The Americans are keen to include in a new resolution some form of ultimatum to the Iraqi leader. However, British sources emphasise that there was no question of a set deadline for impose too great a pressure on our own forces," one source said.

Douglas Hard, the foreign secretary, also had a session with Mr Shevardnadze, playing his part in trying to persuade Moscow to back a fresh UN reclution, authorising force. Mrs Thatcher

told Mr Gorbachev, and later President Mitterrand of France, that Britain was considering sending reinforcements to the Gulf. although no troop numbers were

Like the Soviet leader President Mitterrand had also adopted a wait-and-see approach to the Gulf. apparently unwilling to rush into a new UN resolution. But British France could be counted on to support the resolution authorising

Both Mrs Thatcher and President Bush also saw President Turgut Ozal, the Turkish leader, a key figure in the alliance against Iraq.

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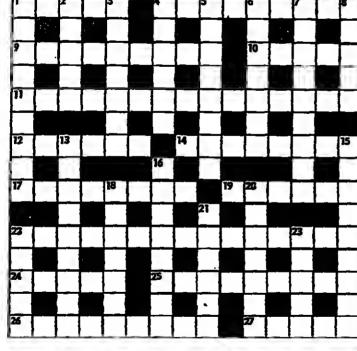
Democrat leader, said: "Mrs

Thatcher now leads a faction, not

a party. The Conservative party is

in disarray, at war with itself."

be well-placed to win."



- letter from abroad (5). 4 Drama featuring equally a poet and an arrist (4,5).
- 9 Shameless girl gets hit (9). 10 In second half of game, receiver finally achieves a point (5).
- 11 Belittle Beth, who is in trouble it's not fair (3,5,3,4). 12 it's strange - not even one Tory
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- 17 Rescue craft in drama round a
- 19 Several people who collect

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- 22 He singed a beard and badly scarred fair skin (3,7,5). 24 Affect part of London (5).
- 25 Extension of play actor to give out backing (5,4). 26 5's crumpled (9).
- 27 Peers one's missing when sitting is resumed (5).

- Land in border county (5,4). Works in the garden (5). Citadel ruined, in a manner of
- speaking (7). Train a group of porpoises (6). Sum is complicated - and I do it! (8).
- 6 Cow in half-open cupboard (7). 7 "Clear out of class" I interjected
- 8 Should we hear anything? (5). 13 For instance, the accent I had upset a reviewer (9). 15 Having no sense let assets
- deteriorate (9). 16 Royalty included in the papers
- 18 Unfamiliar way over the moun tains (7). 20 Taken in custody, put up in a hotel (7).
- 21 For a break, knock about a country (6). "Well, bello there, soldier!" (5). 23 A girl gone wrong (5).

WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct? By Philip Howard ANORAK a. A skating spin b. A student swot

c. A motorway hitch-biker SHANNY a. The smooth blenny b. Variant of the shimmy c. An Australian tourist

RAME a. A Mace c. With drooping branches

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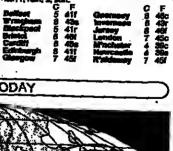
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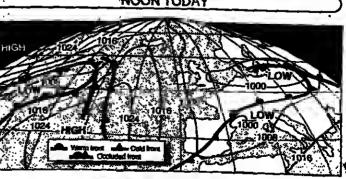
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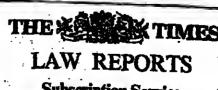




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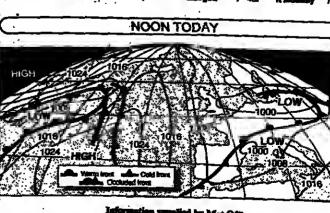
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programmes 11.00 News, regional news and weather 11.05 Kilroy. Robert Kiroy-Silt, chairs a discussion on adoption 11.45 Before Noon, includes a phone-in from Manchester and a star guest in Burningham

12.00 News, regional news and weather 12.05 After Noon, Music and memories with Ctiff Michelmore and Wendy Gibson 12.20 Scene Today, Live entertainment from Pebble Milt with Judi Spiers and Alan Thohmarsh 12.55. Regional news and weather 1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip

Heyton, Weather 1.50 Neighbours. (Ceefax) 1.50 Going for Gold, Henry Kelly hosts another round of the European general knowledge quiz
2.15 Knots Landing, Dallas spin-off with
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8.00 News 8.15 Westminster. A round-up of

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Playing with words: Paul Coie (4.00pm)

News and weather resowed by You and Me (r) 2.15 The Gun. The senes on the history of finearms today focuses on the revolver 2.30 A Day in the Life of a Sulfolk police river patrol (r)

2.00 News and weather followed by You

2.35 Country File investigates farmers' claims that retailers are pushing up the

3.00 Primetime presented by David Jacobs and Shella McClennon, The studio is transformed into an exotic water garden and a viewer has her wardrobe completely remodelled by a fashion consultant. With musical contributions from the four-man close-harmony group, Casabienca Steps 3.40 Lifetine. Magge Pratter appeals on behalf of Skill, the National Bureau for Students with Disabities (r)

3.50 Animal Album. A film about an animal that can sing 4.05 Quack Chat. Show with Keith Harris 4.20 Fantastic Max. Certoon about a bionic baby 4.35 Hertbeat. Tony Hart and Margot Wilson and different ways of

creating pictures (Ceetax) 5.00 Newsround 5.10 Byker Grove. Children's drama set in Tyneede about a group of teenegers and their youth

a group of teenagers and their youth club (Ceetax)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceetax) Northern Ireland Sportswide 5.40 Inside Ulster.
6.00 Stx O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Andrew Hervey Weather 6.30 Regional News Magazines.
Northern Ireland Neighbours
7.00 Wogan. The guests include former Birookside stars John McArdle and Sue Johnston, currently appearing at the Young Vic., and the Sixtes singer.

7.35 Doogle Howser, MD. Wonderfully unbelievable American drama about a 16 year-old doctor. Starring Neil

16-year-old doctor, Starring Neil Patrick Harns (Ceefax)
8.00 The Trials of Life: Fighting, Sir David Attenborough's compelling nature sense combines with a look at fighting in the animal langdom (Ceefax)
8.50 Points of View, Anne Robinson with another selection of wewers' letters praising or penning programmes
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3.00 News and weather followed by Westminster Live 3.50 News, regional

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Further space adventure with the new crew of the Enterprise (Ceetax)
6.50 DEF II begins with Dance Energy Update. Dance chart followed by Autobiography of the USA. A peek at American Instony 7,00 Round Calded

Shop Boys talking about their new album and Barry White on tour

CHOICE: Supposedly the general title for a science magazine, Antenna is proving to be a very wide umbrella. Only one of tonight's three flams can properly be called actentific. A report

from the United States by an old Horizon hand, Alec Niebet, on how street lighting is "polluting" the sky, and making life difficult for astronomers. A German film, narrated by Julian

Pettiter, about the wildlife inhabiting

a puddle belongs more to David
Attendorough territory while the
main item could easily have turned up in
Panorama. Taking Ugande as his
model, Dr John Seaman, senior medical
officer of Save-The Children,
questions whether immunisation is the

automography of the USA. A peek at American history 7.00 Rough Guides to Carears. A new series starts with reporters Raj Dhenda and Lindsay MacRae anvestigating the catering industry 7.40 Rapide. Includes the Pet Shor Bous taleng about the series.

Canada's St Lawrence River (r). (Ceetax) 6.00 Star Trek: The Next Generation.

news and weather
4.00 Canchword Anagrams and word
puzzles with Paul Coia.
4.30 Behind the Headlines. Beverly



Trenchent humour: Rowen Atkinson (9.30pm)

9.30 Blackadder Goes Forth. Trencher humour with the award-winning comedy team headed by Rowan Atlanson as Captain Blackadder (r) (Ceelax)

Northern tretand Raw 10.00 Sportshight, Steve Rider presents football action from the FA Cup first round replays. Herry Carpenter is at Gatesheed Leisure Centre for the amateur boxing match between England and Scottand, and there is a preview of the first test in Brisbane, due to start on Fnd

11.30 Film: Mitchell (1975) American tough guy drama starring Martin Bala John Saxon and Linda Evans. A tough cop suspects a nch lewyer of murder despite a plee of self-defence and his suspicions are confirmed when he finds himself nously taken off the case and wed to another department Directed by Andrew McLagler. Northern Instand Blackadder Goes Forth 12.00 Close 1.05am Weather

> best way to improve health in poor countries. He argues that it is very expensive and does not prevent the majority of timesses and suggests that the money might be better spent on providing basic health services which could offer a wider range of treatment.

9.00 M"A"S"H: Operation Friendship. More black cor the 4077th (r)

9.25 Die Kinder: Ghosts.

© CHOICE Now that Pauls Milne's ladnep thaller has set out its stall, the interest from now on will be in how well it can sustain its initial momentum. Six hours is an awful fol of television time to fill, three times as long as the average cinema film, and the experience of similar ventures in the past is that a brisk opening is often followed by a long period of marking time. There are hints of this in tonight's second episode, but to Milne's credit not very many. The strength of her screenplay is the deft interweaving of the personal story of the mother (Miranda Richardson) in search of her abducted children and the so far more enginetic political story, involving the legacy of German terrorism. The director Rob Walker keeps the narrative tauf and makes effective use of the

Hamiburg locations while Frederic Forrest continues to impress as the letter-day Philip Marlowe (Ceetax)
10.20 Fifth Column. David Cannadine, professor of British History at Columbia University, New York, offers an historical perspective on Mrs Thatcher 10.30 Newsnight with Francise Stock

11.15 The Late Show, Arts and media 11.55 Weather 12.00 Benind the Headlines, See 4.30, Ends at 12.35am ITY LONDON

6.00 TV-am begins with News followed by Good Morning Britain present Martin Frizzel and, from 7.00, by Mike Morns and Mays Even Includes news with Lisa AZIZ on the hour and headines on the half nour in the Doc Spot at 6.20 and 8.35 Dr Hilary lones discusses ante-natal care. After Nine leatures the cooking canon John Eley, who has recipe ideas for 9.25 Keynotes. Musical quiz hosted by

Abstair Divall 9.55 Thames News and 10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . John Stapleton chairs a discussion on euthenesia. Among the guests are the brother and sister recently accused of trying to murder their mother, who

was dying of cancer

10.40 This Morning Magazine programme
presented by Richard Madeley and Judy
Finnigan Agony sunt Denise
Robertson is on hand to help viewers with their problems and Eleme Lipworth presents her Stateside celebrity raview Plus more existic dishes with Flavours of the Orient, With national and international news at 10.55 and regional news at 11.55 followed by national weather

12.05 Allsorts. For the very young 12.25 Home And Away Australian drams about a couple and their toster children 12.56 Thames News and 1.00 News at One with Nicholas Owen.

Weather
1.20 The Body Works presented by
Caron Keating and Net Buchanan, in the
test of the current series, Michaele Strachen shares her secrets about keeping fit, there is a search for the perfect shoe and advice on overcom

fear of the dentist

1.50 A Country Practice Australian drame based around a rural community health centre. This afternoon Peter tines to blackmail Alf

2.20 Take the High Road, Scottish scep set in a Highland village 2.50 Talkabout, Andrew O'Connor hosts the dame where the secret to success is

the grif of the gab 3.15 News headanes 3.20 Thames News headines 3.25 The Young Doctors. Australian scap set in a large city

3.55 Neille the Bephant, Animated fun with the clumsy triendly elephant 4.00 Hot Dog 4 15 Mike & Angelo. Drame series starring Tyler Butterworth and Matt Wright This afternoon Mother arraves at Rite's with a guest, her boytnend Terence Creighton-Smythe 4.40 Rolf's Cartoon Club. Fun with Rolf Hams as he delves into the fascinating world of cartoons and snimstion. The programme includes a visit to the studios where an American

Tail 2's being made 5.10 Blockbusters. Fast-moving quiz show for loanagers presented by Bob

5.40 News with Fions Armstrong.

5.55 Thames Help Jackie Spreckley with details of Southall Day Centre 8.00 Home And Away (r) 6.30 Themes News and weather 7.00 This is Your Life Michael Aspel

opens the big red book and gives another unsuspecting worthly a 5urprise 7.30 Coronation Street. Another slice of northern life (Oracle)

8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight Music, conversation and laughter with Des and his guests who include Julio iglesias Derek Jameson, Mariah Carey and the Roly Potys 9.00 Medics. Continuing the six-part

medical drama sense, laced with sex and casuathes. This week Clark is under severe pressure writt a consultancy interview approaching and her boss, Toynbee paying her rather too much attention.
Consequently her once happy marriage is suffering under the strain. Staming Francesca Ryan and Terence Harvey

10.00 News at Ten with Sandy Gell and Jule Somerville. Weather 10.30 Thames News and weather 10.40 The London Sports Personality Awards 1990. Nick Owen is at the Cale Royal in London to host an awards ceremony for the Panasonic Trophy,

now in its fifth year, which brings together stars from sport and showbusiness in a gata event held in aid of the Greater London Fund for the 11.40 in the Heat of the Night. A feature-length episode prior to the start of a new

series about come on the streets of Sparta Virgi unwritingly gets involved with a tenorist organisation responsible for kidnapping Gillespie. Starring Howard Rothns and Carroll
O'Connor Followed by News headlines 1.30 World Chess. The latest news from the 29th Team Chess Olympiad in Novi Sed, Yugoslavia, with Raymond Keene, chess correspondent of The

1.45 The Twilight Zone: Nightsong, A tnp into the darker depths of the imagination. When a lemale disc jockey plays an obscure song recorded by a former lover, the musicial ost magically appears back in her life

after a period of ten years (r) 2.15 Videofashion. The new gener of American designers is under the

camera 2.40 America's Top Ten. With Casey Kasem and Tommy Puett

3.10 Quiz Night. Pub and dub general knowledge quiz
3.40 Three's Company: Teacher's Pet. Dated American comedy about two girls and a man who share an apartment. Jack is invited to teach at his old cooling school Followed by News

headines 4.10 Windsurf. Saiboard action 4.40 Fifty Years On (b/w) A look back to 1940 to see what was making the headlines is November, with the help

of old newsreel clips 5.00 ITN Morning News with Brenda Rowe Ends at 6.00

6.00 The Art of Landscape Secutiful

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netural images with soothing music 6.20 Business Daily 6.30 The Channel Four Daily

12.00 The Partiament Programme 12.30 Business Daily 1.00 Sesame Street. The guest is Tracey

2.00 Pitgrimages. Broadcaster Glyn Worship, who suffers from a progressive disease of the nervous system, visits Halfield Frany in Dorset as part of a pilgrimage (Teletext)
2.30 Film. Branded (1950) Slow-moving

western starring Alan Ladd as a young gunskinger persuaded to pass himself off as the long-lost son of a wealthy Texas rancher Directed by Rudolph Mate 4.15 La Femme de Papier, A photographer finds an old negative of a woman's face and is intrigued when

he later sees her in town (r) 4.30 Fifteen-to-One, Fast-moving quiz 5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show, Extrovert presenter Oprah Winfrey holds a discussion with studio guests about mothers and daughters who have

become estranged 5.50 The Adventures of TinTin. Continuing the animated adventures of the boy Tin Tin and his mends (r) 6.00 The Wonder Years Emmy award-

eyes of a 13-year-old boy (r)

winning American sitcom which looks at life during the Soties through the

6.30 Tonight with Jonathan Ross. The guests are photographer Eve Amold, film director Michael Winner and comedian Dennis Leary 7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and

7.50 Party Political Comment from a Labour party politicien. Followed by

8.00 Brookside. (Teletext) 8.30 Dispatches. Vincent Hanna examines the implications of the Tory

examines are injusted.

leadership contest

8.15 Without Walls: Tracks of My Tears.

CHOICE An entertaining film which takes its cue from Paul

Choice are then its anduly Gascoigne and then thankfully ignores him looks at men who cry in public An American expert Or William Frey is brought in to supply scientific ballast. He can only offer the apparently obvious explanation that crying is the body's response to emotional stress. For the rest, we are offered an anthology of famous cases leading to no perticular conclusion. Hank Wangtord, the singing gynaecologist, remembers Johnnie Ray. The archives are mined to let us see agein Gilbert Harding's historic blubber on Face to Face. There are contributions from Ken Dodd, Rabbi Lionel Blue and the England rugby content will Carling Even macho sportsmen, it seems, have their emotional stresses. The second part of Without Walls is devoted to a

discussion chaired by Bryan Appleyard about the legal constraints on

writers Among topics covered are the

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privacy in biographies of the recently 10.15 Sticky Moments on Tour with Julian Clary. The camp Clary finds himself shipwrecked in this episode of the cutrageous game show 11.00 Sex Talk; The Wilder Shores. The controversial sex show examines the subject of sado-masochism

11.45 She-Play: All About Laura. Paula (Kahn's first play for television tells the atory of Laura (Jackie Momson) and her troubled life. Having reached suicidal dapths, Laura encounters a stranger who offers her a new view of

12.00 Sid Caesar's Show of Shows (b/w).
Classic archive comedy from American wisecracker Sid Caesar

12.30am Rock Steady Specials, Marillion recorded at Leicester's De Montford

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1.50pm The Mouse Show
2.20 Cry, the Betoved Country (1951):
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Searching for his late brother a griftend, an innopert American is adoused of mandar and robbers. Innopent American a accused or mar-der and robbery
6.00 Kojetc Prowers for Metty Star-ring Telly Sevelse
8.10 Stand by Me (1995) A tale of boyhood Inendehp and adventure in Pittles Oragon
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7.00 Moming Concert: Schubert
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7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont):
Handel (Concerto in B flat, Op
4 No 6: Teverner Players
under Parrott, with Andrew Lawrence-King, hurp); Messenet (Meditation from Thais, Berlin PO under von Karajan, with Anne-Sophie Murter, violin): Mendelsschin (Symphony No 4, Italian: Orchestre of the Age of Entightenment under Charles Medicarras)

8.30 News 8.35 Composers of the Week: Telemenn. Pert 3: Impreserio. Excerpts from the comic excerpts from the comic opers Der gedudige Sociates (Solosts, Savarts Vocal Ensemble: Capette Savarts unger Nacholas McGegan)
9.35 McGweth Choice with Susan System Bermowen file Snarpe. Beethoven (Die Himmel rühmen: Montanara Choir; The for piano, clannet Choir; Tino tor piano, clarinet and calto: Chiford Benson, Antony Pay, Christopher van Kampen); William Lloyd Webber (Missa Sanetse, Mansa Magdislense: Righard Hackox Singers under Richard Hickox): Divofak (Calio Concerte No 1 in A: Czech Philisamonic under Neumann, Philharmonic under Neumann, with Milos Sadio); Handel (Wretchad Lovers, Acis and Gelatea: English Baroquie Chorus and Soloists under German Association Gardiner); Molter (Concerto in 8 flat: Gunda von Bahr, flute, with ensemble): Humperdinck (Prelude and Dew Fairy's Are, langel and Gretel Guizenich Orchestra under Pritchard, with Ruth Welting, soprano); Martin (Passacalle: James Lancelot, organi; Wynne (Evening Shadows: Janet

(Evening Shadows' James Price, soprano, Anthony Saunders, piano); Morier (Trumpet Concerto in D; J.F. Peillerd CO under Paillerd, with Maurice Andre)
1.55 Ulster Orchestra under John
Lubbock, with Barragette Lubbock, with parabetic Greevy, mezzo, performs Branns (Tragic Overture); Manter (Leider eines Janvendon Gesctan); Schubert (Symphony No B) 1.00pm News

RADIO 3 1.05 Concert Helt: Live from Broadcasting House, London, The plants! Yeon Ean-Mes

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2.00 Record Review: A special ecition devoted to Mozart (r)

3.10 Vintage Years: Chicago Symphony Orchestra under Pleme Monteux performs Franck (Symphony in Diminot)

4.00 Choral Eveneong: Live from St George's Chapel, Windsor 5.00 Musicians of the Nile: Donald Maccado presents mateix from Egypt, with kanoun-player Solimen Gernil, anger Um Kethroum, and Lee Musicians du Nil (r)

du Nil (1) 5.30 Mainly for Pleasure with Richard Baker

7.00 News 7.05 Trivid Ear with Robert Hewison 7.30 BBC SO: Societh Anniversary Season, Live from the Festival Hell, London, Pierre Boulez Heli. London. Pierre Boulez conducts Debussy (Images); 8.10 Wasting to Hear the Nightingsie. Steohen Waseh traces the history of Stravnsky's songbird; 8.30 Stravnsky (The Nightingsie: BBC Singers, with Phylis Bryn-Luson, soprano, as the Northitosle)

Systematics, soprand, as the Nightingsle) 9.30 Whictaw Festival of Open Theatre: How are young writers, across and directors adepting to changes in eastern Europe? Noel Witts visite the internebonal forum of experimental theatre in Polah
10.10 Music in Our Time: Justin
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at the ISCM Festival in Oslo.
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2: Four Ptenp Bues, Danzon
Cubana; Las Agechacas; El
Salon Mésoco: Three Latin
American Sketches) (r)
12.30-12.35am News
1.00-2.25 Night School (FM only)
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Starts: 6.00 The Art of Landscape 6.30 C4

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11.42 For All the Sentis: The second of five programmes in which Roger Worsley and the Rev Brendan O'Malley travel across west Wates to the ancient stimme of St Devid's (f)
12.00 News; You and Yours
12.25pm Magic Moments Part 3: Reach for the New Suni Nigel Fourness needs programs for

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the in Ruesia; and Black Girls, an all-girl white group from North Carolina, sing irreversit songs about towe and betrayal 3.00 News: The Adventures of Shericok Holmes: A Case of Identry. The third of 12 short stones by Sir Arthur Conan Dovie (s) 3.47 Treasure Islands with Michael Rosen, Julia Eccleshare, editor of Children's Books of the

Year, makes her Christmes year, makes the Chiminals
present selection
4.00 News
4.05 Something to Celebrate: A
Rite of Passage for the
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FOUR IN THE FIRST XI.

Michael Jackson, the eminent drinks writer, has recently compiled a list of Scotland's malt whiskies in order of excellence. It is called simply his 'Malt Whisky Companion'. and it covers 237 separate malts, some of them of great rarity and considerable age.

It is pleasing to record that not only did The Macallan 25 year old win first-equal place. but that the 18, 12 and 10 year all covered themselves with glory, lining up proudly in the chosen first eleven (a record no other malt 'name' could begin to match!). ISN'T ITTIME YOU PUT THE

The Macallan. The Malt.

MACALLAN INTO BOWL?

looking for inflation-plus pay awards'

By PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

down pay settlements that

have not been earned through raising performance.

clear at NEDC, and as many

powerful figures on the right and left of the trade union

movement were quick to

point out, even before the

NEDC discussions could take

place, the unions are just not in the business of delivering

wage moderation or pay

"Even if they could, they would not want to. Infintion-

plus is their starting point on

He was sceptical, too, about

pay in the first three months of the year, arguing that this would do little more than

reinforce the idea of n going

rate. Instead, companies needed flexibility, and might learn

from the Japanese practice of

relating pay more closely to

improvements in local labour

he said, was the need to

explain to their employees

why their pay this year would

rise by less than last year, and wby some jobs would have to

What employers faced now

"As the TUC itself made

INFLATION-plus pay settle- joiot determination to drive ments are still trade unions' starting point, despite their offer of responsible, conrdinated wage bargaining made to government and employers, a Confederation of

British Industry leader said. Geoffrey Armstrong, chairman of the CBI's employment committee, said that Britain should not look to new national institutions to solve the problems on pay facing companies in the UK.

His remarks to n conference in London, organised by the Campaign for Work, follow an offer by the TUC at the last meeting of the National Ecoomic Development Council for urgent talks to set up new, "responsible" discussions on pay, training, productivity and other issues in the wake of Britain's ERM entry. The government rejected the offer. Mr Armstrong, one of industry's most senior personnel managers, said that industry was open to any constructive suggestions, but individual compames should not be diverted from their own efforts to improve performance by

He said the concept of a pay go to protect the future of the forum "at national, multi- rest. That was the real setting sector level is all just words. for alternative proposals for unless it is accompanied by a handling pay.

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Unions 'still | ECC profit cut to £86m



ECC Group, formerly English China Clays, saw pre-tex profits fall to £86.4 million (£150.6 million) in the 12 months to end-September, after a £32 million exceptional item for redundancy, rationalisation and worsening conditions in all the group's markets (Mar-tin Waller writes).

executive (above), joined from Rugby Portland Cement in April. The group is maintaining its dividend payments with a second interim of 13p making a total of 19.6p, while forecasting a final payment of at least 4.90 a share. Mr Teare defended the mainn Waller writes). tained payment. He said: Andrew Teare, the chief "We're a long-term business;

we should have a long-term dividend policy. Redundancies are part of cost-cutting instituted by Mr Teare, which will entail £250 million asset sales by end-1993 and capital spending cut by a third next year. ECC is changing its financial year end

Lloyd's faces higher premiums

By JONATHAN PRYNN

THE contraction in capacity in the Lloyd's "excess of loss" market, which provides reinsurace against catastrophic losses, looks set to lead to increased reinsurance premiums for both marine and non-marine underwriters.

Specialist excess of loss dicates specialising in exces syndicates have been hit by a of loss, with combined losses succession of disasters since of about £250 million. the October 1987 storm. A number have been forced out of business or been unable to close years. The problem was highlighted by the failure of Feltrim Underwriting Agen-

cies, which ran three syn-

The syndicates have been unable to close the 1987 year because of uncertainty about the eventual size of the losses A number of other excess of loss insurers are thought to be facing financial problems.

Erskine's **UK** gains lost in **US** falls

By MARTIN WALLER

ERSKINE House, the office equipment supplier, has unveiled interim figures indicating that an improvement in its British business after restructuring has been matched by a decline in the American

market Pre-tax profits fell from £7.63 million to £6.53 million in the six months to end-September, although the in-terim dividend is held at 2.3p.

At the operating level, profits were down from £11.4 million to £9.6 million, while the necessity to pay a dividend oo preference shares issued by Erskine's American offshoot in March saw earnings fall from 9.5p to 6.7p per share. Brian McGillivray, the

chairman, said lower pre-tax profits were attributable to the non-recurrence of £1.2 million profit from the disposal of part of the lease portfolio in America last year and a £400,000 reduction because of exchange rate movements. :-

While pre-tax profits rose from £2.26 million to £3.25 million in Britain, more diffi-cult trading conditions in America meant n fall from £5.21 million to £2.89 million.

Erskine shares have been affected by hoax calls made to market-makers in August and a subsequent false report that a subsidiary had gone into receivership. The price failed to recover when the true facts became known. The shares held at SOp yesterday.

Analysts are looking for about £15 million pre-tax io the current year.

BUSINESS ROUNDU

APV to allow £161 for restructuring APV, the food processing machinery manufact make about £16 million of provisions in its 199

against the cost of restructuring its operat company's shares fell sharply in September with fla figures and a warning of gloomy prospects for the sc Half the £16 million provision will be above the exceptional item and half will be an extraordinary company said it was confident that despite the prolevel of dividend for the year will be maintained. Fr

chief executive, said: The APV board has taken action in implementing these restructuring measure shares fell 2p to 78p on the announcement.

Martin Currie Young & C assets down

NET assets of the Martin Currie European Investment Trust, which was launched last February, have dipped from their initial level of 96p a share to 77.9p by the end of October. This represents a fall of 18.9 per cent compared with the sector average of 17.5 per cent. Interim esuits show a pre-tax profit of £477,000 for the six months, and earnings per share of 1.41p.

edges ahead YOUNG & Co's Brewer Wandsworth, south Lond

lifted pre-tax profits fr £2.6 million to £2.69 mill in the six months to Septe ber 29. Beer volumes we ahead 5.6 per cent. Turnov advanced from £25.7 mi lion to £29.3 million. Trad ing profits grew from £3.01 million to £3.55 million. Earnings per share rose to 14.03p (13.15p). The interim dividend is 6p (5.5p).

Setback for Cosalt

A DECLINE in the fishing industry and industryoverproduction of caravans took its toll on profits at Cosalt, the ships' chandler to caravan maker. Pre-tax profits fell from £5.04 million to £3.78 million in the year to September 2, on turnover up from £76 million to £80 million.

Edward Brian, Cosalt's chairman and chief executive, said the decline in the fishing industry, resulted in lower ship chandlery profits. Earnings per share slid from 29.16p to 22.71p, but the final dividend is raised to 6.5p (6p), a total of 10.75p (10p) for the year. The shares eased 2p to 141p.

Ritz Design bucks trend

RITZ Design Group, the women's clothing manufacnurer which supplies Marks and Spencer, saw a 15 per cent advance in first-half profits from £743,000 to £855,000 io the six months to end-September, in spite of difficult conditions. Earnings rose by 15 per ceot to 6.2p, while the interim dividend is improved 20 per cent to 1.6p. The shares firmed 3p to 103p.

CML raises profits 12%

CML Microsystems, the electropics components business quoted on the USM, lifted pre-tax profits by 12 per cent to £2.13 million in the six months to end-September, on turnove marginally ahead from £6.28 million to £6.31 million Earnings per share climbed from 6.7p to 7.6p, but there is again no interim dividend. The shares firmed 2p to

AIB advances 63%

FUNDS from an Ir£22 million (£20.37million) rights issue last year helped Anglo Irish Bank Corporation, the banking and financial services group, to a 63 per cent gain in pre-tax profit to Irco.15 million in the year to end-September.

The profits were generated from a 56 per cent increase in the group's lending to Ir£365 million. The final dividend is raised to Ir2p per share, making a year's total of Ir3.36p, up 13 per cent. Gerard Murphy, the chairman, said the bank was confident of significantly increasing its profits and earnings per share.

Midland card to be processed by

By NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

the cost-cutting programme promised in August by Sir Kit McMahon, its chairman. The bank is giving its Switch debit card processing operations to Electronic Data Processing. the American technology

Midland told more than 200 staff in Sheffield and Leicester yesterday that they will become employees of the American company from December 1. The deal was signed last

The cuts are part of 1,000 job losses Sir Kit said would take place by the end of the year and that the bank confirmed yesterday will be met, mainly through natural wastage. In April, the bank made 392 technical support staff

redundant. Electronic Data will run the processing operations as be-

MIDLAND Bank has begun fore and charge a competitive the cost-cutting programme fee. The Dallas group will rent the processing department's sites from the bank.

EDP is one of the world's largest card transaction processing groups and is owned by General Motors. The group is believed to have been a contender to buy Signet, the jointly owned credit card processor, but its bid was refused because banks feared that it had long-term plans to issue credit or debit cards in Britain.

A Midland spokesman said that the Switch move did not affect the bank's relationship or commitment to the debit card. Sir Kit announced Midland's cost-cutting programme after pre-exceptional profits collapsed 89 per cent to £36 million in the first half of the year. The bank plans to cut a further 3,000 jobs next year.

New image as Air UK expands

By OUR CITY STAFF AIR UK is to introduce new

services, new aircraft, more jobs and a new uniform. The airline will be taking delivery of at least four BAe 146 jets next year to be used when it begins a three-times-aday service to Aberdeen and a daily service to Nice, both from Gatwick, in the spring. Air UK is also increasing the number of its Stansted flights to Glasgow, Edinburgh, Jersey and Guernsey.

Andrew Gray, managing director, said the airline hoped to carry 2.3 million passengers next year, well up on the 1.4 million in 1988 and the estimated two million this year. The airline had 21 aircraft in 1989 and this figure would rise to almost 30 next year.

He said staff numbers next year would go up to 2,000 from 1,800 this year. New uniforms for both ground and air staff as well as

new corporate colonis would

be introduced during 1991. Mr Gray said Air UK would be interested in talking to American Airlines about setting up a collaborative marketing deal should the American carrier be successful in its bid to fly to New York from

Grampian up 10.6% at interim

By Jonathan Prynn

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GRAMPIAN Television, ITV contractor for the north of Scotland, has increased interim pre-tax profits 10.6 per cent to £1.2 million to end-

August. Sir Douglas Hardie, chairman, said: "To produce in-creased profits for six months when advertising revenue fell by nearly 2 per ceot is a creditable performance." He said that a continued downturn in revenue could threaten Grampian's chances of matching its first half performance in the latter six months of the financial year.

Profits were struck after an increased Exchequer levy of £117,000 and oo turnover down 2 per cent at £10.3 million. The interim dividend is unchanged at 0.7p.

Television operating costs were reduced by 4 per cent compared with the same period last year. The property division increased profits by If per cent and let its remaining available property, Grampian Court, to BP.

The company is confident that the size and location of the transmission area will help it to retaio its franchise bid, to be submitted in April next

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS Half-Year to Year to 31 March 1990 30 September 1990 30 September 1989 £624.3m Turnover £352.1m £295.1m £42.6m **Profit before Tax** £21.4m £20.1m Dividend per Share 3.0p 1.2p **1.2p Earnings per Share** 3.2p 6.5p 3.0p £585.4m **Orders Won** £318.3m £310.1m As at 30 September 1990 31 March 1990 30 September 1989 £28.9m £67.3m **Net Liquid Funds** £55.3m

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The results for the half year to 30 September 1990 and 1989 have not been audited The above statement of results for the year to 31 March 1990 is an extract from the Group's full accounts for that penud which have been filed with the Registrar of Companies and on which the Group's audions gave an unqualified report. The comparative information for both the field year to 30 September 1989 and the full year to 31 March 1990 was prepared on the pro-forma basis as explained in the Group's accounts to 31 March 1990

The interim dividend of 1.2 pence per share will be part on 21 January 1991 to shareholders registered on 21 December 1990.

Copies of the Company's Interim Report to shareholders may be obtained by pritting to the Company Secretary.

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By MARTIN WALLER

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Two market-makers were con-

tacted on August 21 over the

supposed share dealings and

were also told that Brian

McGillivray, the chairman,

would be selling part of his

holding. The shares then col-

lapsed from 64p to 45p before

Company directors, and Mr

McGillivray in particular, who owns 2.6 per cent of the

equity, are believed to be considering legal action against the individual in ques-

tion if criminal charges are successful. Market-makers be-

came suspicious after they

learnt that no directors other

than Mr McGillivray owned

so many shares. Erskine's

broker, Hoare Govett,

mounted an investigation and

requested a Stock Exchange

enquiry into recent dealings, while denying any intention

on the part of the board to sell,

but the damage to the price

had already been done. The

shares, unchanged at 50p yes-terday, still stand below their

level ahead of the hoax calls.

Results, page 26

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City Editor John Bell

JAMES GRAY

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THE pound slipped by 1 cent in New York to \$1.9610 immediately after the result of the Conservative party leader-ship first-round ballot was announced. Sterling had closed at \$1.9735 in London and had fallen against the mark from DM2.9040 to about DM2.8950.

Shares of British companies quoted in New York had fallen by about 15 or 20 cents each shortly after the 6.30pm leadership contest announcement confirming the need for a second ballot. In London, government bonds fell about 1/2 point on news.

"It's the least satisfactory outcome for everyone," said Alastair Ross Goobey, chief investment strategist at James Peter Meinertzhagen, chair-

man of Hoare Govett, the broker, said: "The City wanted a clear-cut result. It has not got it. The market will go lower in the morning."

Court reprieve

The Dublin High Court has extended by another month its protection of Larry Goodman's troubled business. The court also granted more time to a court-appointed examiner who is seeking to assemble a rescue package for Goodman International, Europe's largest beef processor, with its 33 bank creditors. Court protec-tion was extended until December 28. Examiner Peter Fitzpatrick has until December 11 to present his report.

Babcock ahead

Interim pre-tax profits at Babcock International Group, the heavy engineering company, advanced 6 per cent to £21.4 million during the six months to end-September. The com-pany will pay a half-time dividend unchanged at 1.2p. Tempus, page 27

Payout rises

Hazlewood Foods is raising its interim dividend from 1.8p to 2.1 a share despite a fall in net earnings from 8.71p to 7.5p a share in the interim period ended September 30. Pre-tax profits were £22.5 million (£24.5 million) on a turnove of £286.7 million (£271.8 mil-

Tempus, page 27

THE POUND : US dollar 1.9705 (-0.0010) German mark 2.9089 (+0.0023) Exchange index 94.2 (+0.2)

STOCK MARKET FT 30 Share

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INTEREST HATES

London: Bank Base: 14% 3-month interbank 13%-13°16% 3-month eligible bills: 13°32-13'12% US: Prime Rate 10% 3-month Treasury Bitls 7.08-7.07%* 30-year bonds 1022532-1022732* Federal Funds 7918%

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Lending down to £4.6bn as economy slows

By Colin Narbrough, economics correspondent

ety lending plunged to £4.6 billion last month from £7.5 billion in September, according to Bank of England statis-September, according to Bank of England statistics, providing further evidence that the economy is slowing down

omy is slowing down.
The subdued lending surprised some City analysts because companies need to finance working capital from

ever, gave a mixed picture of lending to the corporate sector, suggesting "distress bor-rowing" among manufactur-ers and retailers, the areas hardest hit by the counterinflationary squeeze.

Although the sustained slowdown in the money supply would earlier have jus-tified a cut in interest rates, British entry last month to the gregates, switching the focus to the pound.

ERM membership now restrains the government from Seasonally adjusted sterling making base rate cuts that lending of £15.4 billion in the would allow the foreign ex- year to change markets to force the 12-mo pound outside its agreed 1982. fluctuation limits in the parity

showed that M0, the narrow money measure targeted by the Treasury, grew only 4 per cent in the year to October, down from 4.6 per cent the previous month. The measure the decline in consumer configuration.

leading in September. from the same period last year.

Consumer leading fell only 6 per cent to £8.21 billion.

By JOHN BELL, CITY EDITOR

SHARES in WPP, the advert-

City profit forecasts this year,

shares dived a further 164p

yesterday. They closed at 115p, giving WPP a market

value of £47 million. Earlier

grave difficulty in repaying the £34 million interest payment

on its seven-year \$605 million

term loan." Brian Sturgess, of

Barclays de Zoete Wedd, said:

"The decline in profits in-

creases concern about the risk

of the group. WPP's debt repayments are scheduled on a

variety of profit forecasts."

Sue Bailey, at Warburgs, said: "WPP just hasn't come

up with the goods. Margins

won't be what people hoped.

Analysts believe WPP may

not make much more than £65 million in 1991. Last year, group profits were £75 million

and current-year forecasts

centred on £110 million before Monday. Interest cover on next year's outlook will be

above the level of 2.5 times, at

which point some loan cov-enants are at risk. WPP has

time for cost-cutting to im-

prove balance-sheet ratios.

Debt is not coming down."

this year they were at 715p. Neil Blackley, at James Capel, said: "WPP will have

BANK and building soci- is expected to fall further fidence and rising unemploywithin the target range of ment, parts of the corporate between 1 and 5 per cent in the sector still increased their months ahead.

> weekly notes in circulation could be sub-3 per cent in December," he said.

bank borrowings.

In his autumn statement,
Separate figures from the
John Major, the Chancellor,
Loudon clearing banks, howadvanced the persistent slow-down in M0 since April as evidence that inflationary pressures were "firmly under

Inflation, which stood at an annual 10.9 per cent in September and October, is expected to fall abruptly this The big drop in lending by

banks and building societies to

the private sector last month exchange-rate mechanism of the European Monetary System has downgraded the importance of the money agsubstantial fall against the monthly average of £5.5 billion over the last half year.

year to October was the lowest 12-month figure since June Clearing bank lending to the private sector fell by less than The provisional Bank data £100 million in October after seasonal adjustment, after an

overall rise of £3.8 billion in

borrowing.
Retailers and manufac turers, the sectors worst hit by the slowdown, borrowed £529 million and £336 million respectively.
Neil MacKinnon,

numbers from the Bank. "If economist at Yamaichi Secu-this can be sustained, MO rities, saw "distress borrow-could be sub-3 per cent in ing" in the figures, as companies sought just to keep going, meet outstanding payments, or finance involuntary stockbuilding. He expected the situation to

worsen for such firms when the reported slowdown in

orders fed through. Fresh evidence of how hard high interest rates are hitting small and medium-sized firms comes from the Finance Honses Association, whose members reported a 30 per cent slump in hire purchase lending in the three months to September.

This reduced this form of lending to £1.28 billion from £1.8 billion in the same period

last year. Neil Grant, the FHA director, said his members have strong links with many of the small and medium-sized businesses across the country. "It is these companies that are obviously feeling the ill effects of deepening recession."

In the first nine months of this year, FHA figures show business lending at £4.46 billion, a drop of 18 per cent

Growth slowdown WPP in further expected by BAA collapse to 115p

Stansted, is expecting a sharp man said profits would be flat slowdown in the growth of in 1991-92. ising and marketing services group, collapsed for the secairline traffic to between 1 and 2 per cent next year, by far the ond successive day amid. growing concern over the level lowest rate of expansion in of next year's profits.

After a 113p fall on Monday, when WPP said that it would be £20 million short of

BAA's airports increased by 5.6 per cent to 42 million. As recently as June, Sir Norman Payne, the chairman, expected growth to be around 4 per cent next year but BAA has lowered its sights for the full year to between 3 and 4 per cent as a result of the recession and the strength of minimal growth in recent

The opening of the new Stansted terminal next March will add about £50 million extra costs next year and, if



Stock market, page 28 Pessimistic: Sir Norman

By Graham Searjeant, Financial editor BAA, the airport group which this pessimistic view of air owns Heathrow, Gatwick and traffic is borne out, Sir Nor-

In the first half of this year, pre-tax profits grew by 10 per cent to £205 million despite recent times. In the six BAA making provisions of months to end September, the £18.5 million against non number of passengers using airport property developments being carried out by Lynton, its property subsidiary. Lynton made a loss of £10 million against a profit of £10 million a year ago. Sir Norman said the provisions were intended to cover the developments to completion.

BAA has increased its interim dividend by 16.7 per sterling, which has led to cent to 5.25p per share, in line with the growth of earnings to

Revenue rose by 14 per cent to £491 million but operating costs increased by 18 per cent to £286 million. Higher costs stemmed mainly from a drive to improve levels of service at the short-term expense of productivity and partly from increased security and safety measures, which cost £55 million and could not be passed on fully.

BAA is in discussions with government and airlines to bring in 100 per cent security checks on hold baggage. Costs have not yet been worked out but will be substantial Sir n Egan, who took over as chief executive in September, said BAA was examining detailed plans for a fifth terminal at Heathrow by the end of the century.

Comment, page

Powering on: John Wakeham hands over details of the electricity share price to Kleinwort's David Clementi ISE set to Brewers' swap deal cleared By Ross Tieman, Industrial correspondent

eries swap between Grand Metropolitan and Elders IXL. THE International Stock Exthe Courage beer and Foster's change is expected this week lager group, has been approvto interview an individual over the hoax "bear raid" on ed by Peter Lilley, the trade secretary, subject to underthe shares of Erskine House, takings from the companies. the office equipment supplier

In a separate deal, Grand-Met announced it is selling 115 Berni Inns and 35 managed public houses to Whit-bread for £120 million.

raids" that have plagued the The way is now clear for stock market in recent months Courage to create a brewing is believed to have identified a empire with nearly 18 per cent disgruntled former employee, of the UK market. A 7,000 on the basis of tapes of public house chain, owned half-and-half by Courage and GrandMet, will be set up telephone calls made to market-makers which have been circulated around the comunder the name Inntrepreneur pany. The caller had claimed to be a director of the com-Estates. The disposal of the Berni Inns and the breweries pany phoning from overseas and requesting the sale of will help to trim GrandMet's gearing from an estimated 90 per cent at its September 30 Some days ago a number of

thought to have made a tentative identification of the under the name for a year. voice as that of a businessman Whitbread is acquiring the who sold his company to the Berni name. group and stayed on but was

Objections from the monosubsequently encouraged to polies commission to the deal between Courage and Grandpected to be interviewed by Met have been overcome by a the exchange's insider dealing series of concessions from the unit. It is not known whether the hoax calls were an attempt companies. However, in several respects these appear less onerous than earlier offers to the MMC. The exception is a to 20 per cent by 1992. seven-year limit on the period come under the Financial in which Courage can exclu-Services Act, which makes the

THE public houses-for-brew- sively supply the joint-owned public houses.

The cash balance which GrandMet will receive is expected to drop by as much as £100 million, to £700 million, as a result of declining public house property values and a energy department at Whiteless secure market for the breweries' output.

GrandMet will retain 1,750 public houses on its own account A further 2,797 will be sold by Courage and GrandMet, All of GrandMet's breweries will be transferred to Courage.

The companies said they were "pleased" that the deal would be allowed to go ahead on the agreed terms. Under the undertakings volunteered by the parties and agreed by Mr Lilley, the contract by which Courage will supply GrandMet's own public house Erskine employees are year end to about 70 per cent. estate can run for four years. GrandMet is keeping 58 of The brewers had offered to that more of the issue is likely October 1992. About 1,067 more public houses will be sold, or released from their tie.

By November 1, 1992, no more than 25 per cent of public houses in any licensing district will be tied to Courage for their beer supplies. After four years, the proportion must fall below 20 per cent. The brewers had offered to cut

Electricity ready for switch on

By OUR CITY STAFF

THE price of shares in the 12 regional electricity distribution companies, to be announced today, was handed over to Kleinworr Benson, the government's main financial adviser in the £5.2 billion flotation, on the steps of the

The price, received by David Clementi, a director of Kleinwort Benson, the merchant bank, from John Wakeham, the energy secretary, is widely expected to be 240p a share. The government has said the first payment will be 100p. Independent City analysts say any deviation from this price, and from the expected average yield for the 12 of 8.4 per cent, would be a shock, although government advisers kept the option of moving the price 5p, depending on market conditions.

Indications of strong public demand for the shares mean fictitious investor of government publicity, than had initially been planned.

Assuming full operation of the clawback provisions that would haul the shares back from City and overseas institutions, Frank is likely to end up with 55 per cent of the shares, against 47 per cent in the case of the water companies, floated a year ago. Fostering Elders, page 27
About 7.3 million people have registered for the shares.

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Government faces angry businessmen over tax system

Maude out of the VAT and into fire

From Peter Guilford in Brussels

THE government faces the task of convincing Britam's businessmen that it has not hindered their interests by approving a new European value added

Despite warnings from the business community, Francis Maude, the Treasury financial secretary, and his 11 EC counterparts agreed a new system for collecting VAT on intra-Community trade after 1992. In the hope of placating critics who fear the scheme will increase paperwork, hamper trade and jeopardise data secrecy, Mr Maude won some elbow room to persuade business of its merits. Formal endorsement of the regime is expected on December 3. Other EC states also gave only conditional support, and some will need to assure domestic sceptics that the scheme will not encourage tax fraud.

Goods exported between 1993 and

1996 will be charged VAT in their "destination" country, as happens at present. To stop tax evaders having their goods falsely "zero-rated" for export while selling them on the home market, all traders will have to file quarterly returns citing customers, VAT numbers and the total value of exports. The tax anthorities would use electronic data exchange to check that exports from one country tally with imports in another. Critics fear the system could saddle

British traders with more paperwork, and that it could hit smaller businesses. More regulated countries fear it could give traders a chance to ease their tax hability, while Germany is worried it might breach its data protection rules. Despite these reservations, formal agreement on December 3 is considered

Britain believes the compromise, tentatively agreed on Monday, is "much, much better" than alternative plans that product sold across EC borders. The agreement will help lift a boulder from the road to a border-free Community after 1992. But differences will resurface if Christiane Scrivener, the tax and customs commissioner, tries once again to replace the "transitional" regime with a more radical one after 1996. She still wants to have tax levied at origin, as happens on domestic sales. Britain and others fear this will force VAT rates down as shoppers from hightax countries flock abroad, depriving governments of a large slice of their fiscal

would force companies to itemise every

To avert an exodus after 1996, the European parliament called for VAT rates to be brought closer before switching to such a regime. Euro-MPs also want a "clearing house" to compensate treasuries which lose tax revenue as a result, but governments fear this could create a

forecast pre-tax profits for 1990 of £40.5 million and

carnings per share of 27.1p

compared with £46.2 million

and 30.3p. Burmah, 1p lower

at 445p, said the document

provided no basis to suppose

that Foseco's long-term future

Babcock International firmed ip to 38p after report-

ing an increase in half year pre-tax profits of £1.2 million

Full-year figures from ECC

the clay and building products

group, made grim reading.

Pre-tax profits tumbled 43 per cent to £86.4 million after

exceptional costs totalling £32

million relating to rationali-sation and redundancy costs.

The figures were below

some expectations and re-flected a slow-down in its core

business areas. The balance

sheet remains strong with

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Hazlewood Foods rose 4p to

tions. Pre-tax profits were down almost £2 million at

Goodbead Group, the print-

ing and free newspaper pub-

lisher, rose 4p to 50p. Colin Rosser, the chairman, has sold

gher at 316p.

performance will improve.

to £21.3 million.

WALL STREET

New York BLUE chips moved slightly lower in early trading, which was largely directionless. Analysts said that in a mixed session there was little incentive for buyers or sellers. The market has been somewhat tentative despite

posting gains the last two

sessions," one analyst said. "Neither breadth nor volume was particularly good.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 5.20 points at 2,560.15 in early trading. Declining shares outpaced rising shares by about four to

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Thinnest trade since August

TOKYO

Tekye SHARES closed lower in the thinnest trading since August 20. Tensions in the Middle East, static futures prices and expectations of poor showings when a flood of corporate results is released this week had investors crowding the

The Nikkei index closed down 312.68 points at 23,205.48 with a paltry 210 million shares traded.

☐ Hong Kong — The Hang Seng index eased 10.66 points to 3,031.92 and the broader-based Hong Kong index lost 7 points to 1,988.33.

Sydney - Agreement be-tween Australia's top labour body and the federal government on a revised wage/tax deal led to an afternoon rally. The All-Ordinaries index closed 17.5 points up at

☐ Singapore — The Straits Times industrial index rose 4.23 points to 1,126.98, Trankfart - Shares ended little changed in thin pre-boliday trading. The Dax index ended 0.17 of a point

lower at 1,467.30 after rising Monday. (Reuter) RECENT ISSUES EQUITIES Atlanta Resources
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The FT-SE 100 index, up almost 28 points at one stage, finished 19.3 higher at 2,115.2 points to 1,667.1.

£1, with dealers still dreaming of an early cut in interest rates. buy recommendation from James Capel, the stockbroker,

Among equity leaders, ICI rose 17p to 883p, boosted by a Enterprise Oil also rose 8p to 637p, excited by the group's recent discovery off the coast of Vietnam. But a profit downgrading by UBS Phillips & Drew, the stockbroker, left | o STOCK MARKET

Institutional selling ends the purple patch at Reed

tional selling sent shares of Reed International, the international publishing group, into retreat to finish the session 16p lower at 365p. The message from at least

one leading securities house ruggested the price may have even further to fall. Reed has been enjoying a purple patch in the past few weeks, climbing from about the 340p level to 381p. Smith

securities house, says the gains have been achieved in thin trading, but there are signs that fund managers take the view the shares are overvalued Almost two million were traded yesterday and Smith says: "They are overvalued at this stage - too high on fundamentals." James Capel has also lowered its profit forecast.

In the background there has been growing unrest among institutions about BSB's recent merger with Sky. Reed has about 10 per cent of the new venture, and the shadow Independent Television Com-mission's non-committal approach is creating uncertainty in the City.

£235 million.

ditions deteriorate further.

The rest of the equity market was able to extend Monday's strong gains helped by activity on the futures market where the FT-SE 100 index December series continued to trade at a healthy premium.

Share prices made a firm start in thin trading, although dence of the slide into recession - meant that prices

in turnover that saw 518 million shares traded. The FT Index of 30 shares rose 19.1 Government securities sported further gains of almost

WPP GROUP: shares plunge to new low Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov

Reckitt & Calman 240 down at £12.54. UBS is apparently worried by the impact of the Brazilian cruzeiro on profits. It has reduced its estimate of pre-tax profits for the current year from £243 million to British Steel eased 2p to

112½p, in the wake of a sell recommendation by Robert Trett 3p to 58p. Fleming, the securities house reviving fears about a possible cut in the dividend during the next couple of years if con-

> Foseco advanced 4p to 283p after rejecting the bid from described the offer as unpsolicited. It

ency headed by Martin Sorrell, continued to reel from this week's profits warning with the price falling 164p to

although it will rise to approaching 50 per cent if the \$520 million Georgia Kaolin deal is done. The maintained to 187p and Gold Greenlees BAA, the independent airdividend enabled the shares to port operator, rose 7p to 384p, after reporting a healthy inregain an early fall to close 16p crease in pre-tax profits at the halfway stage with a rise of £19 130p after reporting interim figures in line with expecta-

Burmah Castrol. The group

115p, for a two-day loss of 263p, as worries about the group's banking cover grew. Elsewhere among the advertisers, Aegls Group fell ap

Analysis are forecasting a drop in pre-tax profits from £733 million to £500 million far the

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Tie Rack losses depress shares

By GILLIAN BOWDITCH

SHARES in Tie Rack, the retail group, sank to their lowest level after the group cut its interim dividend on the back of heavy losses in the first half.

The shares, down 10p to 17p - valuing the group at £5.8 million - were floated in 1987 at 145p, making a group value of nearly £50 million. The pre-tax loss for the six months to August 13 grew from £272,000 to £674,000 on sales up marginally at £21.9

million.

The loss per share doubled from 0.48p to 0.95p and there is no interim dividend. Last year's half-time payout was 0.465p.

Roy Bishko, the chairman and chief executive, said sales growth had been difficult to achieve against a background of unfavourable trading con-

In Britain, sales have been erratic and adversely affected by the slowdown in consumer spending. Trading has contin-ued to be difficult in the second half of the year and the directors expect profits for the America and Britain and has full year to be below last year's reduced capital expenditure.

£1.32 million, Mr Bishko refused to say how large the American losses were, but indicated they were about the same as last time's. The group also refuses to reveal the interior interest charge, but Mr Bishko said the

Bishko: optimistic gearing level at the end of last year was 45 per cent and would be lower at the end of

Mr Bishko is confident of the group's long-term sur-vival, saying: "We are not going to expire." He also expects the group to

make a profit for the full year, and he expects to pay a final dividend that reflects the fullyear profit.

reduced capital expenditure. There were no new shops in

major customers, which "led to disastrous sales in August",

The group has cut costs in

the period to add to the 134 in Britain and 113 overseas.

this Christmas.

Scantronic profits in retreat

By PHILIP PANGALOS

security systems group which issued a profits warning last month, suffered a decline in pre-tax profits from £3.1 million to £2.02 million in the six months to end-September. Chris Brookes, chief exec-utive, blamed the fall on disappointing British trading. He said the group was affected by destocking from three of its

affecting margins. Operating profits slid from £3.35 million to £2.4 million nn turnover up from £19.9 million to £24.8 million, with nearly half of group sales

OVETSCAS. Interest payments rose from £609,000 to £988,000, with gearing at about 35 per cent. Mr Brookes said that £2 million has been trimmed off the group's European cost base, which had resulted in 45

people being laid off. Earnings per share fell from 5.28p to 3.33p, but the interim is raised to 0.79p (0.715p). There was an extraordinary profit of £3.15 million, arising

from the sale of Alarm Parts the group's European security products wholesale distribution businesss, which was sold Stock levels have also been reduced. Mr Bishko, however, is optimistic that sales of scarves and ries will improve profits of £5.5 million. The to Gardiner Group in August. shares were unchanged at 60p.

Borax plays crucial role

From Colin Campbell, MINING CORRESPONDENT

BORAX, a crystal with exotic one of the largest borax mines, chemical compound. Boric qualities that gives stove and at Boron, Californs.

RTZ Borax, the mining Annual sales by US Borax & conglomerate's 100 per cent Chemical Corporation top the group's interests in bo- exports. rates, talc and silica, contrib-used £99 million (equivalent vies with deposits in Turkey, to 16.9 per cent) to RTZ's total 1989 attributable profit of the world, but still allows RTZ £588 million, and £52 million, to claim responsibility for 55 or 19.3 per cent, to this year's

interim net profit. At the turn of the century, borax was advertised as "good for baths, face washing, fighting chilblains and in curing economically viable enough to epilepsy and bunions". To- challenge RTZ's position. day, borax is credited with a role and an application in more than 200 industries.

acid (the major constituent of fridges their glossy surface, helps kill cockroaches, and is Mojave Desert lies south of borates and other compounds used to make detergents, has Death Valley. From the mine are used in almost every major proved an important profit at Boron, borax derivatives are industry.

contributor for RTZ.

processed for world markets.

Borates are essential to agri-Annual sales by US Borax & culture, and significant in the bleach and detergents insubsidiary that incorporates \$500 million, of which half are dustries. They go into glass (Pyrex, for example) and into The operation in California building materials.

Because an international the only other viable source in economic slowdown would impact on demand levels, the. scientific search for and devper cent of the West's borax elopment of wider applicaproduction. There are less tions for berates continues to significant deposits in Russia, command RTZ's backing. China and South America, The mine life at Boron is though none is large enough or

conservatively estimated at more than 50 years. Meanwhile, RTZ Borax continues Crude borax occurs in nato hunt for other industrial ture as a mineral. The element mineral acquisitions to ensure boron was isolated in 1808. a continuing strong profits Since 1968, RTZ has owned The one is refined into a pure flow for its parent,

Greenwich reduces losses to £1.58m

By OUR MINING

GREENWICH Resources, revitalised as a mining and exploration group after a boardroom shake-up last year and shored up by September's £4.7 million rights and subscription issue, which brought in Garry Weston as a 22.7 per cent shareholder, has cut its net loss for the 1990 financial year from £2.18 mil-tion to £1.58 million.

In Venezuela, 20 kg of gold was produced from a pilot plant, indicating there could be worthwhile deposits within its concession area, and in Australia, the Paddington gold mine helped United Goldfields Corporation generate an operating income of £1.08

Total reserves and resources of Paddington have been up-graded from 3.25 million tonnes to 4.42 million tonnes. Greenwich retains an interest in the Gebeit mine in the Sudan and is to explore for gold in Greece.

The shares were steady at 16p yesterday.

Rights issue for Tuskar

TUSKAR Resources, the Irish oil and gas exploration group. is launching a one-for-two rights issue at Ir10p (9.3p) to raise Ir£8.2 million (£7.6m). Philip Pangalos writes.

Proceeds of the underwritten by the Investment Bank of Ireland, will be used to repay bank debts, which stand at Ir£4.2 million. and fund the group's exploration and production activities.

Tuskar recently announced details of a \$7.5 million financial package for its exploration and development work on the Rubiales field in Colombia through a farm-in agreement with DYAS by, a subsidiary of SHV, the Dutch conglomerate.

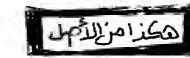
Tuskar incurred losses of Ir£10 million for the year to end-March, against in£84,000 losses last time. The loss includes IrE9.85 million of write-offs linked with Middle Eastern and Irish exploration programmes. There is a loss of Ir6.11p per share, against Ir0.12p last time. Once MICHAEL CLARK The shares lost 31/20 14p.

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BAA will open its £400 million Stansted terminal and start incurring £50 million a year of net extra costs next March at just about the most awkward time possible. The BAA should find it much easier growth in volume of passengers, already down to 3 or 4 per cent this year, will fall to about 1.5 per cent on BAA's admittedly cautious estimates. The airline industry, far from being in an expansive mood to try out new routes, is in deep trouble. And the non-core activities, such as property and hotels, that Sir Norman Payne, the chairman, was relying on to fill in the growth gap have run into stormy

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weather. Air UK will be adding shorthaul routes from Stansted, and American Airlines is thinking of transatlantic services. But BAA is not expecting much. In the first year the number of passengers using Stansted is budgeted to rise from 1.1 million to only 1.4 million out of capacity for 8 million. Break-even, which requires about 4.8 million passengers, will not come for four

This cloud has a silver lining:

BAA clouds have a silver lining

to argue its corner in the scheduled monopolies commission review of Southeast airports. If Heathrow, Gatwick states how well BAA's underlying ADT wants to sell about 4.5 per and Stansted were split up, the business was doing. A swingeing cent of BAA's shares, the rest of risk of this kind of development would be multiplied and extra traffic in future years would be fought over rather than fed to Stansted. The mooted fifth Heathrow terminal, which BAA is planning in detail with a view to the end of the century, would

surely have to be shelved until beyond the end of the recession. More positively, the direst outcome Sir Norman and Sir John Egan, the new chief executive, are predicting is that profits will be flat in 1991-92. some big airlines go out of business.

The 10 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £205 million in the first half to end-September under-

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£18.5 million provision was made against a few non-airport property developments through the profit and loss account as well as an 8 per cent or £12 million writedown of non-core properties in the balance sheet. Earnings and dividends per share were still up a sixth.

BAA, like British Airways, saw volume growth virtually disappear in mid-October but start to pick up again of late. Neither may mean much at the lowest season of the year. BAA should That is some measure of BAA's still make about £285 million for underlying strength, which the full year on BZW's forecast, should be severely tested only if which has been spot on so far. That would leave its shares selling at about 9.2 times earnings, oddly below the market

Mind you, Michael Ashcroft's

quality, and organic growth will have started to be proved.

The next financial year could

its stake being held as cover for a convertible. Perhaps some of BAA's smaller shareholders might like to take them up. Some 750,000 investors have only 100 shares as a result of the group's last-minute popularity on privatisation. Sir Norman's next step in improving service might be to arrange a special scheme to help them top up their holdings

Crossed wires Racal's proposals for a three-way split have met a mixed reception in the City. Some

to a more economic level.

senior corporate financiers say they have rarely seen such complex and wide-ranging proposals for restructuring a

major company accompanied by such sketchy detail. The sceptics also doubt that there is much enthusiasm in London for a would be left after the full demerger of the group's 80 per cent holding in Racal Telecom, the Vodasone group, and 100 per cent of Racal Chubb, the security business. The dismal results of Magnet buyouts have left many

and the concept behind its plans. It stresses that it opted for an exchange is believed to have congratulated Sir Ernest Harrison, the group's chairman, on achieving exactly that result. In fact Racal Electronics has long been pondering the problem rush the third.

management buyout of the old Racal Electronics interests that the Harris Queensway and

banks nursing their wounds and reluctant to take on further junk financing. Racal is unrepentant over the handling of its announcement early announcement to minimise the risks of a leak. The stock

of its share price, which has frequently traded at a discount to the value of its holding in Racal Telecom. Sir Ernest sounded out his advisers as early as April this year. There were consultations throughout the summer and the advice was always the same -

demerge the Telecom holding. During September, Racal sought detailed advice on the tax implications of its demerger proposals and from then on was ready to press the button to implement its proposals at any time. That the timing was a surprise is merely another way of saying that leaks were avoided.

The strategy is undeniably correct - there can be no discount if the Telecom shares are demerged. As to the feasibility of a buyout, that is a question to be addressed much later, when the Telecom and Chubb demergers are fact, probably next April. So far, Racal has received a number of offers from Europe and elsewhere to participate in the buyout. But having completed the first two moves in the deal, there should be no shareholder pressure to

THE arrival of Andrew Teare at ECC Group, formerly Eng-lish China Clays, might have been expected to promote a kitchen sink approach to the company's figures, so the profits drop came as little surprise to the market.

What did surprise, to the extent of putting 11p on ECC's battered share price, to 310p, was his staunch defence of earlier dividend levels. The final payment was maintained, accompanied by the forecast that a change in financial year end would still leave the annualised figure at the same level, and analysts were given the strong impression that 1991 payments were pretty safe, too.

The £32 million cost of 1,250 redundancies helped clip pre-tax profits from £150.6 million to £86.4 million in the year to end-September. Restructuring will eventually take about £12 million a year from the company's cost base, and Mr Teare expects to make disposals worth £50 million of non-essential businessess during 1991, as he focuses more closely on industrial minerals and construction materials.

The decision to pull out of housebuilding leaves land holdings and stock worth more than £200 million to be sold by the end of 1993, with a quarter of that possibly achievable over the next 12 months.

A \$520 million question mark - the purchase of Georgia Kaolin, now with the ties - still hangs over ECC, which badly needs the deal as a counterweight to increasing American encroachment into the European market.

the bolster of a near-9 per cent yield; but they still look a little expensive, given that even best estimates of £125 million pre-tax put them on a rating of almost 12 times' future

Hazlewood **Foods**

PETER Barr's Haziewood Foods group was lucky to see its shares 8p higher at 134p on the back of interim results showing that pre-tax profits the dividend flag flying at ECC



'Confidence in the future': Peter Barr of Haziewood A maintained dividend in had fallen 8 per cent to £22.5 and snacks division saw gear-1991 would offer the shares million and that net earnings ing fall from 121 per cent to 62 million and that net earnings ing fall from 121 per cent to 62 were 14 per cent lower at 7½p

> But then the interim dividend is raised 17 per cent from 1.8p to 2.1p a share to reflect "the board's confidence in the future". Stripped of last in-terim's £4.6 million of nontrading items, Hazlewood can claim an honest advance from a £20 million base and boast of an improved quality of

The recent sale for £59 million (of which £51 million a clean £44.4 million), it will

would be too dynamic and

see profits advance to the £56.5 million level. Some investors will still sit on their hands until the case is seen to be proven. But mean-

while, on 7.9 times prospective earnings, the shares are oot entirely without attraction.

Babcock International -

WITH the UK's economic re-cession officially confirmed management at Babcock International, the heavy engineering firm, was yesterday playing the defensive stock card for all it was worth. The figures seem to justify the

At £21.4 million, after £1.75 million of exceptional provisions, pre-tax profits were ahead of most expectations. The order book for the year is full and filling rapidly for the following year.

The company has more than half its business overseas, seems to have put its Iraqi problems behind it, and is a major player in the green and, hopefully, recession-proof pollution control industry.

Perhaps most reassuringly of all, Babcock has £55.3 million of cash on the balance sheet, generating £4.4 million of interest in the first balf. Some analysts are even pencilling in what must be just about the first forecast upgrade in the sector this year.

An unchanged 1.2p interim dividend maintains Babcock's double figure yield, though with the payment covered only twice, there is limited scope for growth.

A consensus full year profit per cent. Two further, but forecast of £45 million puts smaller, asset sales are the shares on a sector multiple planned by the end of the year. of 6.3. A re-rating is possible, Hazlewood has yet to congiven the strong income vince everybody that it has a attraction of the stock, but will workable growth strategy. Scepticism remains because be made more difficult by former FKI shareholders still net carnings a share at yearon the register, and anxious to take advantage of any opportunity to cut their losses. However, if Hazlewood can

reach the £51 million pre-tax This fear could dampen mark at end-March (against an actual £57.1 million, or institutional enthusiasm for Babcock for the immediate stripped of non-trading items future. Shares should be held for their premium yield and was cash) of the confectionery provide evidence of improved low risk.

Fostering Elders to adulthood

FOUR years ago, Elders IXI. share price from below Aus\$1 made its entrance to Britain a share to Aus\$1.61 yesterday. with a failed bid for Allied Lyons. Management, led then by John Elliott, made an even bigger impression in the City with their larrikio behaviour, typified by the use of four-letter words at analysts meetings and the stubbing-out of cigarettes in the flat dregs of

cans of Foster's lager. Elders was compensated by the acquisition of Courage breweries, but like many Australian companies that grew rapidly in the late Eighties, debt and fragmented decision-making took their toll and transformed the brewing. finance, agriculture and re-

Unlike many other antipodean companies, however, Elders worked hard to stop the rot and in just three mooths the group has been trans-formed and is slowly regaining This was followed

controversial pubs-for-breweries swap by Elders and Grand Metropolitan is the To put this recovery in perspective, bowever, shares closed at Aus\$1.61 in July, at the time a post-crash low.

The metamorphosis was heralded in March when the company said it was prepared to undergo a reconstruction that would turn Elders into a single-purpose brewing busi-ness under the banner of Foster's Brewing.
The first leg was the merger

of Elders Resources NZFP with Carter Holt Harvey of New Zealand, to create an international forest products company with assets of more than NZ\$7 billion (£2.16 bilsources conglomerate from a lioo). This was followed by market favourite into a Harlin's sale of a 19.9 per cent stake in Elders to Asahi, the Japanese brewer. Harlin is the private company set up by Mr Elliott and his fellow executives that bought control of

This was followed investors' confidence. ConAgra's acquisition of the The conclusion of the agriculture division for Aus\$300 million (£115.8 millioo) and Mr Elliott's resignation as chairman in favour of latest in a string of deals since Nobby Clarke, the aggressive Bank, BHP and Citibank, then August that have propelled the chief executive of National agreed to a two-year roll-over



Elliott: thwarted by MMC Australia Bank. One big problem remains: Elders Finance's \$Aus2.8 billioo loan book. The finance division has failed to attract buyers largely because of Aus\$900 million of property loans in the portfolio. As io most Western economies, the Australian property market has been depressed since 1988.

The Asahi deal saved Hartin and Elders according to Terry Povey, an analyst at McCaughan Dyson Capel Cure, the Australian stockbroker, because Harlin's big lenders, Hongkong Shanghai Bank, BHP and Citibank, then

for the remaining debt of Aus\$2.1 billion.

"But if they want to get their money out, the share price must reach about Aus\$2.25, and if there is to be anything left for any other lenders and iovestors, including the Har-lin shareholders, then the shares must rise to more like Aus\$3.00," Mr Povey said.

Mr Elliott, now a nonexecutive director, planned to "Fosterise" the world and tried to buy Scottish & Newcastle Breweries in 1988 to give him the extra brewing capacity to do so. Once again, he was thwarted by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, which was busy rewriting the rulebook for the British brewing industry.

The link with GrandMet was deemed the most satisfactory conclusion and brought the Australian company before the MMC for the fourth time in as many years.

The long-awaited pubs-forbreweries swap ends Elders' turbulent adolescence and lavs the foundation for a productive adulthood for Foster's

ANGELA MACKAY

Hooke out of the doldrums

ROBERT Hooke, the stock-broker and art dealer who is attempting to sail round the world single-handed, has dismissed talk that he is about to throw in the towel. Hooke, head of Euro-equities at Banque Paribas Capital Markets, arrived safely in Cape Town this week at the end of the first leg of the BOC roundthe-world race - minus 2 generator, antopilot and steering column. He was the last competitor to finish the 6,800mile leg from Newport, Rhode Island — something he achieved in 64 days, one hour and 37 minutes - and oow has three days in which to repair his craft. The Doldrums were the most awful place I have ever been," says Hooke, a former American marine, who spent days becalmed off the North African coast. They were absolutely devoid of any form of life. The sea was grey, there were no birds or fish and it was intensely humid." He is now gearing up for the second - and most dangerous leg of the race - which takes entrants through the Roaring Forties and Screaming Fifties en route to their next stop in Sydney.

A PARLOUR for dogs has opened in Bodmin called . . . Laundra Mutt.

By the book ACTUARIES, it is sometimes said, take up their craft for fear that life as an accountant

exciting. Outraged by the suggestion that they may be considered boring, Britain's actuaries have launched a campaign to improve their image. A survey by the Faculty of Actuaries, based in Edinburgh, shows that they would like to be seen as challenging and influential, rather than drab and dull. "We think the public sees the job as technical, complex and lucrative," says Paul Grace, actuary at Scottish Equitable, who disagrees with the last adjective. He is critical of newspapers, which the survey says often describe actuaries as "calculating, theoretical, conservative, complicated, clinical, hypothetical, dry - or just plain dense". Of little belo is the tale of Paul Downey.



They may not be back after the break'

Smith

ional Motual Life on January 26, 1989 - his thirtieth birthday. For in true actuarial tradition, his predecessor retired oo his sixtieth birthday -January 26, 1989. Gripping SIGN seen in a Relate office in

end will show a downturn.

Glasgow: "The hardest thing for most wives to get used to after marriage is being whis-tled for rather than at."

Põhi speak

THE Bank of England may hard time putting its ideas into plain English - as anyone who has struggled through the Bank's Quarterly Bulletin will agree. Now, some analysts in the City are turning to the prepared under the watchful the non-marines include Alec eye of Karl Otto Pohl, its Sharp, a high-flying syndicate president. An avid fan is David Smith, chief economist at Williams de Broe, who says the publication is by far the best read. He likes the "coherent intellectual model" of how monetary policy works, and the political independence that allows the Bundesbank to express its views freely. Pobl, a former journalist who spent three days in London this month meeting people in the square mile, bas proved his skills as a communicator in more ways than one. The & Sons, the nearby shirt-children of one City analyst maker, include brokers from children of one City analyst who saw him on television charting to Robin Leigh-Pemberton, Governor of the Bank of England, said the German central banker spoke far better English.

IN THESE recessionary times, a West Country farmer has received this letter from his accountant: "I have just been going through your finances, and wonder how you feel about storing up muts for the winter?

Sharp dressers LLOYD'S of London, the

sombre heart of the insurance community, is an unlikely setting for a fashion war. But war has broken out between the ranks of marine and oonmarine syndicates over who is know a thing or two about the better dressed. The Lloyd's monetary policy, but has a underwriting community has never exactly gone in for flashy suits and colourful ties - despite the abundance of tailors and shirt-makers near No 1 Lime Street - but there are always exceptions. Models Bundesbank's monthly report, of sartorial elegance among known for its love of floral ties and suede brogues. Scruffier examples oo the marine side include Stephen "Major Tom" Merrett's syndicate 418 - known for its work underwriting satellites, and which has a reputation for stained suns and crumpled ties. Tom Aldridge, a deputy on Bill Maitland's syndicate 932, is a clear supporter of Hermès nes, while Chris Rome's syndicate 926 has a taste for dapper suits. Regulars at TM Lewin Sedgwick and Willis Corroon, who stand out on a dull day for their striped silk shirts and

> day-glo braces. JON ASHWORTH

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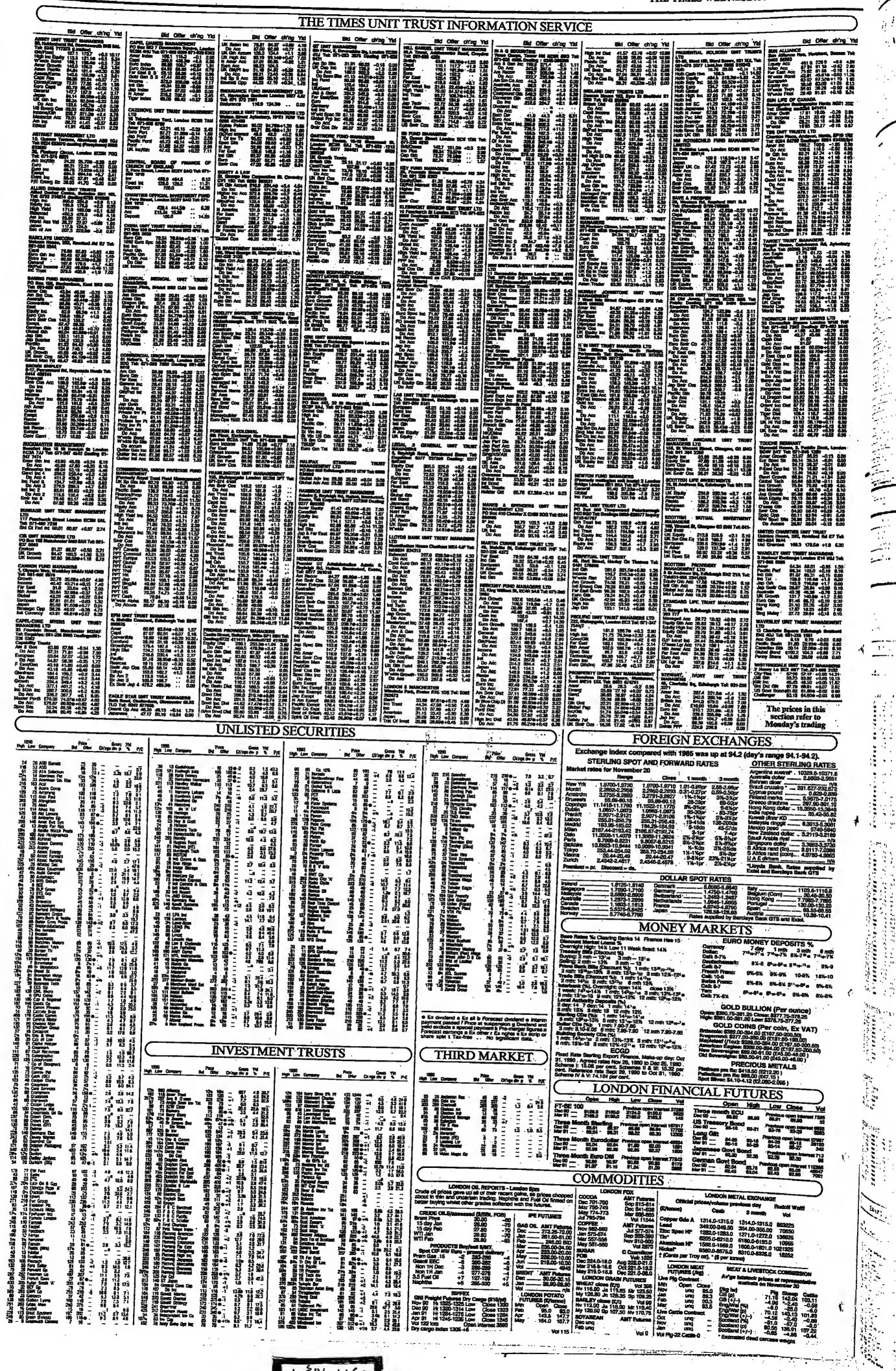
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Court of Appeal

Illegitimate father wins rights order

In re H (Minors) (Local parental rights and duties with Authority: Parental Rights) parental rights and duties with respect to the child." Before Lord Justice Neill, Lord Justice Balcombe and Lord Justice Mann

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[Judgment November 20] A father of illegitimate children who had shown a degree of commitment and an attachment to them should be granted a parental rights order under section 4 of the Family Law Reform Act 1987.

The inevitable decision that his consent to the children being freed for adoption was being unreasonably withheld was not a ground for refusing him such

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment allowing a father's appeal from part of the decision of Judge Morton Jack in Slough County Court in January 1990 refusing him a parental rights order in respect of his two young children. His appeal against the judge's order that the children be freed for adoption under section 18 of the Adoption Act 1976 was refused. Section 4 of the 1987 Act provides: "(1) Where the father

Mr Philip Vallance, QC and

Miss Sally Smith for the father; Mrs Helen Grindrod, QC and Miss M. S. E. McNab for the local authority; Mr Alian Levy, QC and Mr David G. P. Turner

two and 13 months.
In 1985 the mother placed the children in the voluntary care of the local anthority under section 2 of the Child Care Act 1980. All until 1986, when it was decided that the children needed a permanent home, the father had had regular, twice weekly, access to there

Section 4 of the 1987 Act provides: "(1) Where the father and mother of a child were not married to each other at the time of his birth, the court may, on the application of the father, order that he shall have all the

proceed to one safe berth Lorient, for example, time did not

start until the berth was reached.

His Lordship thought it right to start by considering the printed Form 100 of GAFTA. Clause 3, labelled "price", had a space for a figure followed by "gross weight, cost, insurance and freight to ..." When the parties inserted a destination they generally named only a port or ports, without any reference to berths.

In such a case, where only a

port was named in or pursuant to clause 3, his Lordship did not

consider that the parties in-tended the result which would ensue with a charterparty if only

a port was named as the destination, that time started

when the vessel reached the

Fis Lordship found the right interpretation of the contract a difficult question, principally because both trade tribunals had

found in favour of the sellers.

They must therefore have considered that the parties did indeed intend, when they named Lorient as the destina-

tion, that the consequence would be the same as if Lorient

had been named as the destina-tion in a charterparty.

Although the question was one of law for the court, weight

always had to be given to the opinion of trade arbitrators.

That was particularly important when considering whether trad-ers were likely to have used words in a particular technical

reference to berths.

contract not same as in a charterparty

Établissements Soules et Cie v If the contract to be construed Intertradex SA had been a charterparty there Before Lord Justice Neill, Lord could be no doubt of the answer.

Justice Stocker and Lord Justice
Staughton
[Judgment November 8]
Parties saying "... free out
Lorient" in a sale contract were
not to be taken to have intended that those words should be used in the technical sense which they would have had in a charterparty, although that was con-trary to the findings of trade

The Court of Appeal so stated buyers, Etablissements Soules et Cie.

LORD JUSTICE

learning in the books to provide er. But it arose here

one antibute to the buyers and sellers in their sale contract an intention to use words in the technical sense which they bore

The contract was concluded on June 25, 1987, between the on June 25, 1987, between the companies for the sale and purchase of 5000 tonnes of Chinese sweet potatoes. One of the terms provided "C.i.f free out Lorient". Demurrage was set at US\$3,500 per day. Other terms included accordance with Form 100 of GAFTA.

The sellers submitted that the count when the

time started to count when the vessel arrived at Lorient, or at lalest with the next working period after arrival, that is, October 13; so the waiting time until October 13 counted, and also the time taken in discharging, which lasted until October 23

The buyers, on the other hand, contended that time could not start to count until the vessel had berthed on October 13.

The first-tier arbitrators of GAFTA decided in favour of the sellers. Their award was upheld by the Board of Appeal of GAFTA.

of GAFTA.
On appeal to the High Court,
Mr Justice Hobhouse upheld the
buyers' contention and substituted an award in their favour for US\$26,064.07 which was the full amount of their claim. The

Agricultural notice to quit valid

Crawford v Elliott

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A general notice to quit the occupancy of certain premises under the Agricultural Holdings Act 1986 did not have to refer to that Act and the court could not involve any statutory requires imply any statutory require-ment, which was absent, 10 that effect. Under common law the only requirement was to make reference to the premises and to specify the requirement of pos-session of those premises by a

session of those premises of a certain date.

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Mann and Sir David Croom-Johnson) so held on November 8 when allowing the appeal of the landlord against the dismissed by Judge Forsier the dismissal by Judge Forsier in Carlisle County Court on December 12, 1989 of her claim for possession of farm premises in Cumbria and his declaration that her general notice to quit served upon its occupant was

LORD JUSTICE MANN said that the occupancy had come into existence by way of permission granted in January 1975 which had been acknowledged by the occupant. It was a classic form of licence

agreement.
The question a court had to ask was whether a general notice to quit at the end of that occupancy was quite clear to a reasonable tenant reading it and whether it was plain that that reasonable tenant could not be misled by that notice.

for the guardian ad litem.

JUSTICE LORD BALCOMBE, giving the judg-ment of the court, said that it was, common ground that the appellant was the father of the two children. He was not mar-ried to the mother but they had lived together. lived together as a family unit until the two children were aged

attempts to rehabilitate them with her had failed. However,

to them.
In 1989 the local authority

Meaning of words in

Justice Stocker and Lord Justice A contract to proceed to Lorient Staughton Acontract to proceed to Lorient had the effect that the carrying

in dismissing an appeal hy Intertradex SA, the sellers, from Mr Justice Hobhouse who, on October 4, 1989 set aside a decision in their favour made by the Board of Appeal of the Grain and Feed Trades Association (GAFTA) who had upheld the findings of first-tier arbitrators in the sellers' dispute with the

Mr Duncan Matthews for the buyers: Mr Mark Havelock-Allan for the sellers.

STAUGHTON said that the motor vessel Handy Mariner arrived at the port of Lorient in France on September 30, 1987. She had to wait for a berth until October 13, owing to congestion in the port, before the cargo could be discharged.

The question in the appear related to the financial loss

resulting from that delay. Had the problem arisen in the context of a charterparty there would have been a great deal of

under a sale contract, where the question was novel one. It came down to this: should

in charterparties, or in some different sense?

Nevertheless, like the judge, his Lordship concluded in tha end that the parties did not intend to alter what be considered to be the effect of naming a root as the destination. port as the destination in Form 100. To undertake a liability for

demurage while the vessel was in port but waiting for a berth would be an open-ended commitment in a contract for the purchase of what must probably be a part cargo.

It would also be open-ended for a full cargo but in the case of a part cargo the problem was worse and the result might be capricious. The buyer did not know when he made the contract how much other cargo would be carried in order to share his liability pro rate, unless some or all of it had been

discharged at a previous port.

His Lordship would require rather clearer words before assuming that the buyers had assumed such a liability in the Lord Justice Stocker agreed and Lord Justice Neill delivered a concurring judgment.

Solicitors: Holmes Jardingham; Middleton Potts.

Privilege lost after papers were disclosed

Black & Decker Inc v Flymo

If a privilege was a right to refuse to disclose, then it was impossible for such a right to be asserted in respect of a document which had already been disclosed. Mr Justice Hoffmann so

stated in the Chancery Division on November 13 on a motion by on November 13 on a motion by
the defendant for specific
discovery in a patent infringement action relating to a
wheeled rotary lawnmower in
which tha defendant
counterclaimed for revocation
on the ground of obviousness.
Pursuant to directions, an ex-Pursuani to directions, an exchange of witness statements had taken place in accordance with Order 38, rule 2A of the Rules of the Supreme Court.

HIS LORDSHIP said that once a document had passed into the hands of the other party

the question was no longer one of privilege but one of admissibility.

Despite Order 38, rule 2A(8) which provided: "Nothing in this rule shall deprive any party of his right to treat my communication." into rule snau deprive any party of his right to treat any commu-nication as privileged or make admissible avidence otherwise inadmissible" his Lordship refused to treat the witness state-ments as privileged and made an order for discovery of documents relating to a proposed new lawnmower shortly to be marketed by the plaintiff.

rights in relation to the child. played a full part in the child's Cannot be life. So restricted an interpretation set out to equate such a father with the father of a legitimate child: he could apply for an order giving him all parental rights and duties with respect to

In considering whether to make an order under section 4 of the 1987 Act the court had to take into account a number of factors including the commitment the father had shown, the degree of attachment existing between the father and child and the reasons for his applying for

Here the father could not offer the children a home: what he wanted was continued access. The judge had formed an unfavourable view of him, describing him as unintelligent, self-resarding and as having not much to offer as a parent". But he was wrong in holding that section 4 was only intended to operate if all the perental rights which were to be granted to the father were immediately capable of being exercised by

As Mr Justice Ward pointed out in Hereford and Worcester City Council v D (The Times November 2) parental rights and duties included both legal custody and a right of access. Yet a parent who had custody would not need a right of access.

would not need a right of access.

If the judge's construction was right the father of an illegitimate child who was in care would only be entitled to apply for access under Part IA of the Child Care Act 1980 if he ahready had a parental rights order made before the child was taken into care because, ex hypothesi, he would not be entitled to custody so long as the care order subsisted. Yet up to stage of the voyage ended when the vessel reached port. It was for the charterer then to the moment the care order was discharge her and delay in gaining a berth counted against his discharging time. If, on the other hand, the contract was to

trary to the whole purpose of the 1987 Act.

There was some force in the rgument that if the judge decided on the merits that, even if the father had a locus standi to oppose the order freeing the children for adoption, his consent to that order would be unreasonably withheld, there would be little point in making an order giving him parental rights which would instantly thereafter be taken from him.

However, the judge's attention had not been drawn to sections 19 and 20 of the Adoption Act 1976 which gave to a former parent of the child certain limited rights after the making of a section 18 order.
Those sections justified making a parental rights order in favour of the father, notwithstanding a decision immediately thereafter to dispense with his consent to the making of an order freeing the children for adoption.

The judge was wrong to refuse the father's application on the grounds that he gave. The facts demonstrated a degree of commitment to the children and an attachment between him and them amply sufficient to justify his being given a locus standi of the hearing of the local authority's application for an order freeing the children for adoption.

However, on the evidence before him the judge could have come to no other finding than that the father's consent to an adoption order was being un-reasonably withheld under section 18(1)(b) of the 1976 Act. Solicitors: Winter-Taylors, High Wycomhe; Griffiths Robertson, Reading Mr An-

tried twice

of section 4 was not intended by Parliament and would be con-

The existence of a constitutional remedy did not affect the application of the principle of res judicata, the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council (Lord Bridge of Harwich, Lord Goff of Chieveley, Lord Jauncey of Tullichettle, Lord Lowry and Mr. Justice Telford Georges) held on November 13 dismiss-ing an appeal by Mr Endell Thomas from order of the Court of Appeal of Trimidad and Tobago ruling that declarations sought by him were res judicata previous proceedings ([1982]

AC 113).

hitigate the same issue a second time relying on fresh propo-sitions in law, he could only do so if he could demonstrate that special circumstances existed for displacing the normal rules. No valid reason for not raising the constitutional issues in the first action had been advanced. first action had been advanced. Their Lordships agreed with the reasoning of the Supreme Court of India in Daryao v UP ((1961) 1 SCR 574, 582-3) in rejecting a submission that resindicate could not apply to a petition for redress in respect of an infringement of fundamental rights under the Indian constitution. "It is in the interests of the public at large that a finality

public at large that a finality should attach to ... decisions ... and ... that individuals should not be vexed twice over with the same kind of litigation. If these two principles form the foundation of the general rule of res judicata they cannot be treated as irrelevant or inadmissible even in dealing with fun-damental rights

Same issue

Thomas v Attorney-general of Trinidad and Tobago

[Judgmen: November 8] mistake had gone to name rather than to identity.

That being the case, the better

LORD JAUNCEY said that then a plaintiff sought to

Mr Hugh Bennett, QC and Mr Mark Templeman for the defen-dants; Mr Jeremy Cooke, QC, for the plaintiffs. course, been able to challenge the principle established by Lazard Bros & Co v Midland Bank Ltd ([1933] AC 289) that a

If the plaintiffs could bring themselves within the provisions of Order 20, rule 5(3), the principle of that case had no application. The defendants

Amending writ to correct name of plaintiffs

Owners of Al Tanwah Before Lord Justice Lloyd, Lord Justice Stocker and Sir George

Waller

Where solicitors mistakenly is-sued proceedings on behalf of a plaintiff company which had ceased to exist as a result of a merger, the writ, although initially a nullity, could be amended under Order 20, rule 5(3) of the Rules of the Supreme Court to indicate the correct plaintiffs since the solicitors

view was that such an amendment related back to the date of

a non-existent plaintiff.
The Court of Appeal so stated when dismissing an appeal by the defendants against an order of Mr Justice Sheen made on July 19. 1989 whereby he granted the plaintiff's summons to correct the name of the plaintiff's and dismissed the defendants' summons to strike out the plaintiffs' action.

LORD JUSTICE LLOYD said that Mr Cooke had not, of

sought to do so.

non-existent party could neither

Owners of Sardinia Sulcis v tiffs had ceased to exist without beging the question, in other words without presupposing that the court would not exercise

its powers to amend Order 20, rule 5 provided: (3) An amendment to correct the name of a party may be allowed ... notwithstanding that it is alleged that the effect of the amendment will be to substitute a new party if the court is satisfied that the mistake sought to be corrected was a genuine mistake and was not misleading or such as to cause any reasonable doubt as to the

identity of the person intending to sue or, as the case may be, In Evans Ltd v Charrington & Co Ltd ([1983] 1 QB 810) the plaintiff had applied for a new tenancy under section 29(3) of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954. He had thought his landlords were Charrington & Co. In fact they were Bass Holdings

Lord Justice Waller had held that that was not a mistake in the name. It was a mistake as to identity. The majority had taken a different view.

Lord Justice Griffiths had said (at p825): "The identity of the person intended to be sued is of course vital. But in this case I have no doubt that the identity of the person intended to be sued was the current landlord, Bass. The wording of the rule makes it clear that it is not the identity of the person sued that is crucial, but the identity of the person intended to be sued, which is a very different

nation.

In Thistle Hotels Ltd v Sir
Robert McAlpine & Sons Ltd
(The Times April 11, 1989) the
question had arisen in relation
to an intending plaintiff. In 1979

owned by Scottish and Newcastle Breweries, but op-erated by a dormant company

The solicitors acting for the intending plaintiffs had chosen to sue in the name of Thistle Hotels Ltd. Lord Justice Russille. sell, with whom Lord Justice Mann had agreed, had held that it was a mistake as to name only. Returning to the facts of the instant case, there could be no reasonable doubt as to the identity of the person intending to sue, namely, the person in whom the rights of ownership

had been issued. It followed that the solicitors' mistake had been a mistake as to name and not a mistake as to

had been vested when the writ

Considering the defendants' summons in the light of those conclusions, his Lordship said that he had assumed that an amendment under the rule to correct the name of a party related back to the date of the

That had been the view taken by Mr. Justice Hirst in Katzenstein Adler Industries (1975) Ltd v Borchard Lines Ltd ([1988] 2 Lloyd's Rep 274), following an observation of Lord Justice Brandon in Ltf v

Peasley ([1980] t WLR 781).
That was, his Lordship thought, the better view, although the point was not at all easy and had not been the subject of any argument before the subject of the period that the the court live was right that the the court. If it was right that the amendment related back, then there never was a non-existent

Lord Justice Stocker and Sir George Waller delivered concurring judgments. Solicitors: Lloyd & Co; Rich-

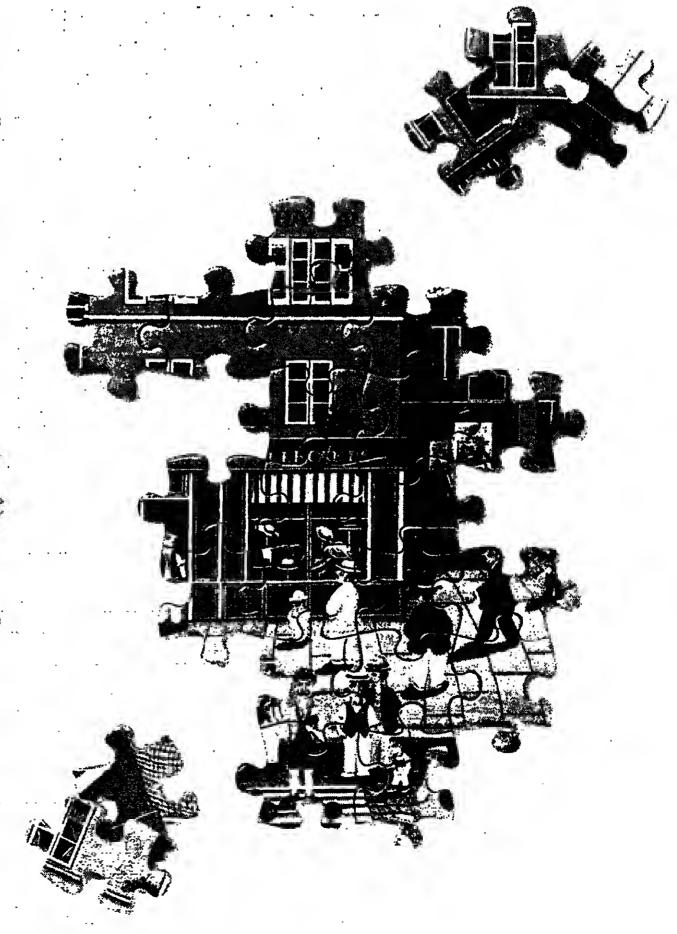
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The personal touch is the key to motivation at work

tion has under-gone more reevaluation in the past three years than at any time since the Fifties. A vital part of this reform has been the attempt to understand the role that managers play in one of the most important

findings, on both sides of the Atlantic, is that managers are distinguished not only by their understanding of functions such as marketing, finance, and research and development, but also by their personality and behaviour.

A recent survey of leading American and European managers by the Cranfield School of Management, in Bedford-shire, found that personal skills are the most important in helping executives to shape the vision and future of their

Executives who excelled: have tact and sensitivity in managing people and teams;
• clearly communicate the
mission of the organisation and the objectives to be

 make themselves available to receive feedback • behave in ways that support the policies and objectives they wish others to adopt.

Good teamwork was found to be critical. Professor Andrew Kakabadse, the author of the survey, says that in a business environment of diversity, complexity and change, the senior managers' ability to work together to achieve a common vision was

"Respect for each other and a sense of maturity are im-portant attributes," he says. providing managers with Executives need to recognise that contributions from people who think and feel differently from themselves are equally valuable in any

strategic debate.

"This becomes even more important in multinational companies, where an openness to other cultures and attitudes is a prerequisite to commercial success.

The difficulty for management schools is that it is far easier to teach management trainees the basics of marketing and finance than it is to influence their behaviour.

Dr Lynda Gratton, an assistant professor in organisbehaviour at the London Business School, aracquire the right personal attributes only through a pro-



Tactful managers who understand people and persuade staff to work in teams will reap big rewards, Michel Syrett writes

Ambrosetti and a former dep-

uty director of the consortium

MBA of the City University.

"Formal management cour-ses have their place, but the

options open to trainers are

often far wider than they

realise," she says. "Many organisations find second-

cess of job rotation, sec-"If you want to develop ondments, personal assess-ment and individual trition. managers who are capable of dealing with uncertainty and Dr Gratton says: "Many ognise that there are many isations with high-flying talent will fail to reach positions of individual's mind than placseniority in 15 to 20 years' ing them on a three-week general management protime because development

programmes have provided them with the wrong skills, or the career framework is too rigid to let them grow in the vay they would like." Experience suggests that

complex qualities, such as leadership, vision, lateral thinking and openness to change, only if they understand how people learn as well as what skills they require,



John Chadwick: Need to improve people skills'

providing key managers with a broader outlook. Working for a different organisation in diversity, you have to rec- a different culture takes them out of their comfort zone and promotes their personal

Ms Lammiman's views are supported by a recent report published by the Centre for gramme," says Jean Lam- published by the Centre for miman, the UK chief the Study of Management executive of the management Learning for Voluntary Sereducation consultancy vice Overseas (VSO), which suggests that key attributes, such as problem-solving and creativity, can be acquired more easily on a VSO assignment than through many kinds of short management courses or postgraduate study.

Where does this leave the person on the receiving end of



Prof Andrew Kakahadse

elopment? Management ex-perts such as Charles Handy and Bob Garrett, the author of The Learning Organisation, exhort companies to create "a culture of learning", in which managers play a part in identi-fying their training needs and ways to fulfil them.

to John Chadwick, the chief executive of Sundridge Park Manegement Centre, in Bromley, Kent is that a manager reason for choosing a course is often little related to practical skills that could be used in his organisation.

He says: "Studies of managers who come to Sundridge show that they want to im-prove personal skills, selfconfidence and their people skills. In sharp contrast, they are less concerned with learning analytical skills, gaining professional qualifications or contributing to the profitability of their organisation."

Wendy Hirsh, a senior research fellow at the Institute of Manpower Studies at Sussex University, argues that selfdevelopment will work only if accompanied by better corporate careers advice. "Better and more sophisticated pay packages have resulted in an unprecedented demand for personal financial advice." she says. "Increased opportunities for self-development will lead to a corresponding

International schools capture global market

Business schools and management centres are finding it hard to keep pace with the revolution caused by internationalism, new technology and changing social attitudes (Michel Syrett

writes).

Keeping up with the management training needs of launched a joint MBA promanagement training needs of launched a joint MBA promanagement training needs of launched a joint MBA promanagement training is the most gramme with Groupe ESC urgent problem. Many leading business schools are less national in their outlook and culture than their multinational clients. Business education institutions such as Insead in France and IMD in Switzerland are the preferred choice of many senior executives because they are seen to. provide a more cosmopolitan earning environment than

inces Administration (MBA) programme that started at example, was made up of students from 35 nationalities, of whom 16 per cent were British, 16 per cent French, 12 per cent from the United States and Canada, and the remainder drawn from regions including Scandinavia, central Europe and Asia.

National schools, such as London, Manchester and Cranfield, near Bedford, Iese and Esade in Spain and Bocconi in Italy, have only recently started to recruit or exchange faculty and students in significant numbers.

Ten years ago, British schools were less committed in the way they exchanged faculty and students with counterparts abroad," says Professor Leo Murray, the director of Cranfield School of Management. "Many of us are now doing this more systematically as part of an effort to become more international. but this is not something that you can achieve overnight." Earlier this year, Cranfield

The best business courses now mirror the world concerns

of multinationals Lyon, a leading French bustness school. Similar ventures are becoming common. Ashridge Management College at Berkhamsted, Hertfordshire, has joined with the Universitats seminar de Wirtschaft, in Cologne, and the Centre de Perfectionnement aux Affaires, in Paris, to launch a trans-European programme for the development of senior reir competitors. managers. Henley Manage-The Master's Degree in Bus-ment School is developing a modular MBA, enabling students from abroad to study

> completing their education in the UK. Technology is another blind spot. "Few business degrees cover much technology and hardly any MBAs or execunive programmes offer much in this area," says Professor Ray Wild, the principal of Henley Management College and the editor of the recently published book Technology and Management. "As a result, it is rare to find one person that understands both

technology and business." Tom Cannon, the director of Manchester Business School, agrees. "The great black hole of management education is the whole field of manufacturing. Research and development, and technology management are desperately

Above all, business schools have been fighting a running battle to shake off the most damning criticism made of them - that their open and company programmes are

based on functional special-isms, and are little more than . a collection of disparate inputs from tutors whose knowledge is confined by narrowly-de-

fined faculties. Henry Mintzberg, a leading management guru, of McGill University, in Canada, who is currently working at London Business School, regularly accuses American lecturers of being "second-rate academics obsessed with case studies rather than real life". He also sees management training of post-graduates as a useless exercise unless they have had three years' work experience.

Professor Charles Handy. the author of the 1987 report on management education. which set in train many of the current reforms, is also concerned. "At a senior level, I do not think business schools or the main management centres pay enough attention to examining the way people

learn," he says. "They spend too much of their time teaching skills and not enough acting as 'centres of learning', providing a reflective atmosphere in which experienced man can organise their

riticisms such as these helped shape the thinking of Dr John Hendry when he was asked to design the MBA programme for the new business school at Cambridge University. Three terms at Cambridge will be interspersed with two 12month periods at work.

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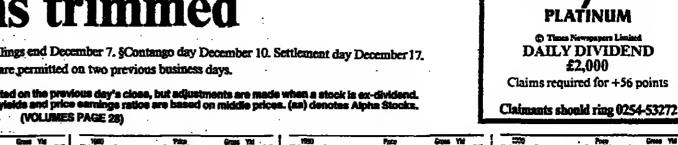
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New ways to teach the East

Europe's emerging democracies need management training, but perhaps not in the western style, Widget Finn says

British colonies in pink. The British Empire has gone, but are we adopting a colonial approach to eastern Europe, assuming that a style works for us is right for them?

Given the speed of change and the demand for management programmes in eastern Europe, there is a temptation to offer ready-made training packages. Graham Milborrow, the director of professional development at the British Institute of Management, found that even training material that requires no pre-vious knowledge in the subject needs modifications to learn about enterprise, while the Armenians and

"We created a programme for young Polish managers using newly designed British Institute of Management materral," Mr Milborrow says. "We soon discovered that it tacitly assumed a value structure, such as the morality of pany, also stresses the need to profit, which was entirely overcome cultural differences

The first stage in competence

training for managers has been achieved. This au-

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ast year's map of western. The underlying cul-Europe is as out of ture has to be addressed before date as an atlas with one can start at skill and expertise levels.

> Professor Bertram Pockney introduces managers to the business cultures of eastern Europe at the Centre for International Briefing, at Farnham Castle, Surrey. He detects a lingering British view that foreigners are all the same. "British businessmen tend to regard eastern Europe as a homogenous blob," he says. "Patterns of history and the influences of the Austro-Hungarian empire and German-Prussian domination are still strong, so that the business and social cultures vary sides, and future programmes enormously in every country. Russians have everything

Georgians have been practising it for years." Anatoly Kanashenkov, the general director of Phazotron, the Soviet electronics com-



Cultural divide: a busy sh

and the importance of working alongside western training experts to create learning pro-grammes. Mr Kanashenkov recently attended a general ment course on the Soviet Union's electronics industry at the Cranfield School of Management. The course was a learning process for both will be designed in response to the growing Soviet under-standing of western business

and its own training needs.
A sensitivity to local business culture and training requirements is essential, but even the best designed programme could have a limited market. The old imperial view that all foreigners speak Eng-

lish - and if they do not, they should - has not disappeared. English is the main inter-national language of business, but there are a number of levels of management in European countries where the courses will have to be taught in the local language. Money from the govern-ment's Know-How Fund is

being used to translate distance learning packages, but programmes in British manducted in English with simul-

An ingrained British attitude leads to patronising others on the basis that different means inferior.

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of Kingston Polytechnic, but Surrey, gives a warning against underestimating our

eastern European colleagues. "These people come from countries whose educational levels, particularly in math-ematics, philosophy and simi-lar disciplines, are very high," he says. "Now that they have access to our technology and management training their potential for development is enormous. We must not be complacent?

Perhaps we are also being implacent in assuming that the western approach to business learning is appropriate for different commercial climates. Eastern Europe offers

sinces education and adopt a training system that could leapfrog that of western countries. This is the message from Central European Investments (CEI), a consultancy business education and training strategies in eastern Europe have been received with enthusiasm by the Hungarian finance ministry.

There are seven business schools in central and eastern Europe, and in Poland 1,000 students annually are receivaccountancy and MIS stan-dards. The CEI estimates that within five years, 421,000 people a year could require business education in Poland.

Technician Education Council (BTEC) and the Scottish Vocational Education Council (Scotvec).

The same process will apply for the diploma. The standards are established and Sheila Perry, the project manager, has found nearly 50 providers — universities, poly-technics, professional institutions and large employers such as Jaguar and British Telecom - which will test the programmes early next year. They should be in action by next

SALLY WATTS Management Charter Initiative, c/o Shell-Mex House, The Strand, London WC2R ODX.

Small business (1)110: to play a role

The government has established 80 enterprise councils throughout Britain to give a local perspective to training

intervention in trainng, the government has decided to hand over the responsibility to the people who should know best: the

local business community.

The Training and Enterprise Councils (TECs), following the disappearance of the Training Agency, formerly known as the Manpower Services Commission (MSC) and then the Training Commission, represent a radical revision of the way training should be managed.

The network of 80 TECs, and local enterprise councils in Scotland, will soon be in place, two years ahead of schedule. Most important decisions about training will be taken at this local level. Exactly how much TECs will do for management training is difficult to predict. A priority will be youth training

schemes, concentrating on young people and the less skilled. Management training, by contrast, will be more discretionary and it may be that only the most determined make headway in this field. Intended to be entre-preneurial, TECs are mostly

developing a market-led approach to training based on analysis of their area's skills needs. Many of them are striving for quality assurance registration with the British Standard, BS5750.

The arrival of the management standards of the Management Charter Initiative (MCI), which is the operating arm of the National Forum for Management Education and Development, should also make a difference. In October. Roger Dawe, the then director-general of the Training Agency, said: "Looking ahead. the role of TECs and their contribution to human resource development, and management development in particular, will be vital. There is a similarity of mission between TECs and MCI and their networks will need to

work together to tackle local Yet it is bound to take some time for the standards-based approach to management to be adopted as the principal method of training and in the short term the TECs may be at their most effective by acting as catalysts. Northumberland

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fter 17 years of direct Tech (NTEC), for example, is setting up a number of business clubs as a way of building networks between employers and managers. The TEC in Somerset is working with the chambers of commerce to strengthen their role as the voice of local business.

One of the initiatives that neighbourliness between local organisations so that, for example, a large employer would be encouraged to offer any "spare" places on its management training programme to managers from

smaller employers. However, TECs will be judged on whether they can deliver accessible, affordable and appropriate training for managers on a wide scale. The answer could lie in flexible learning. At the third national TEC conference, beld in Brighton early this autumn, Sir Geoffrey Holland, the permanent under-secretary at the employment department and a former head of MSC. said in his speech that when the numbers are large enough. flexible learning can be cheaper and more effective than conventional training. It also gives managers the convenience of being able to study at the time and place of their choice,

In light of this, it is not surprising that NTEC, which went live in September, is customising the Open Colleges package. The Effective Manager, for a national market.

pen learning centres are likely to be another Potentially, local management colleges, polytechnics and other training providers could work with the TECs to devise managers' courses, materials and tutoring systems.

Another development could be a training voucher scheme, suggested to the TECs by Michael Howard, the employment secretary. "Giving more choice is the best way forward, I encourage all of you to consider ways in which you might apply the concept of training vouchers." Mr How-ard said at the conference. If management training is

not among voucher pilots. then a worthwhile opportunity will have been missed.

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A standard for managers

and at work, more than 2,000 managers are taking part in apagainst national standards," Sir Bob Reid, the chairman of NFMED, proved programmes - 25 so far -

The standards for supervisory nanagement will be published early The programmes, endorsed by the Management Charter Initiative next year. The original plan had (MCI), which is the operating arm been to introduce standards only at junior management level, but organisations such as the National **Examining Board for Supervisory** Management wanted their members

There can now be progression

from the shopfloor to the board-room," says Pat Sloane, an MCI executive director, who is responsible for guidelines for the certificate

To determine the skills of an effective manager, a £2 million research project was carried out, backed by the Training Agency and employers. Mike Day, the executive director leading the research, says: We took umpteen specifications of what managers should be able to do,

and visited organisations to establish standards for supervisors, junior and middle management."

Research has been followed by a

year of extensive trials to refine the guidelines of the certificate programmes. Managerial levels will now be marked by a certificate, a diploma and, later, a senior award for strategic management. At certificate level, awarding bodies include the Council for National Academic Awards (CNAA), the Business and

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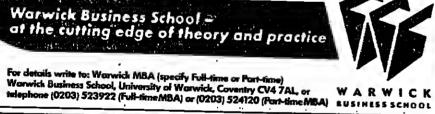
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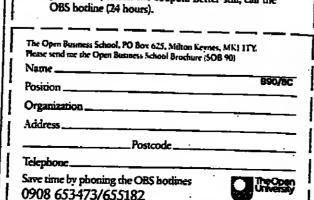
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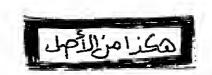
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The environment will be an integral part of manager training in the Nineties, Patricia Tisdall writes

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be one of the main topics oo the manage-ment agenda in the Nineties. Evidence that businesses are preparing to add cash to good intentions emerged at the annual conference of the Confederation of British Industry (CBI), held in Glasgow this month. Delegates, who do oot usually support changes in business methods that are imposed by Parliament, voted unanimously in favour of a motion saying the additional burdens placed on companies by environmental legislation were entirely justified.

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Developments that are expected to affect training requirements include a move away from "end-of-pipe" pollution control to waste minimisation and recycling techniques. This will involve the dissemination of environmental management skills throughout the workforce so that they become an integral part of the production process. A recent study into the labour market implications of environmental management, produced by the Training Agency's skills unit, found senior managers lacking in their awareness of environmental issues and legislation.

Concepts that have spread from the European Commu-nity and the United States and are reflected in impending UK legislation have important implications for British companies. These include the principle that "the polluter pays" and a consciousness that waste management is a

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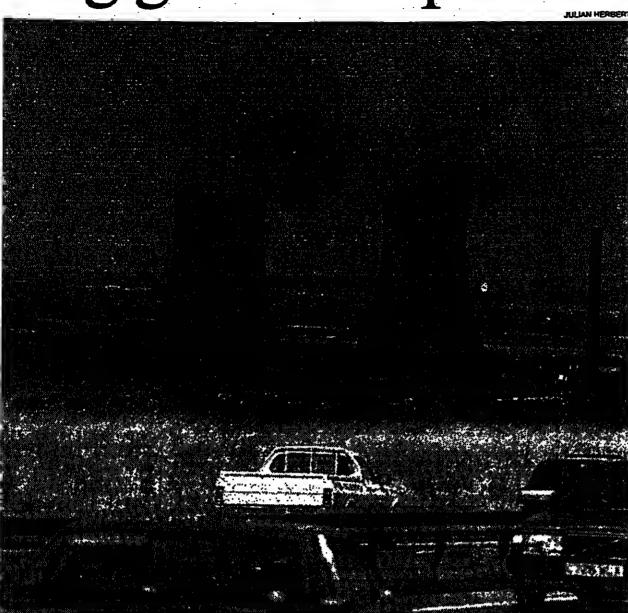
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"cradle-to-grave" affair.
The study concluded that there was a "lack of properly targeted and specialised short courses", and predicted that demand for training would

Two schools of thought are reflected in the business education programmes on offer. The approach developed at the Londoo Business School, a pioneer in environmental management education, starts by pointing out the benefits and costs to the company. Students who include envir- thinking and poorly articu-



Balancing the issues: Didcot power station on the day the government launched its environment white paper

onmental ecocomics as part of lated demands. He says their MBAs are advised to managers should apply the begin by finding out what the law requires. "Unless you know the ground rules, you to any other aspect of busi-

cannot start," says Scott Barrett, the ecocomist responsible for the course. Mr Barrett is sceptical about recent media hype, which he

ness, and believes it is up to governments to set the The course moves on to the

benefits of setting a virtuous environmental policy. The global aspect of environays had led to muddled mental concern can provide competitive advantages: Students are shown how strategic points can be won from anticipating anti-pollutioo legislation and building it into

> ed by the CBI's environment certain about the level of management unit, is the demand. Yet its popularity "green audit", which starts has prompted the scheduling with an evaluation of the of three more workshops, to organisatioo oo the environment. The audit is described by John Elkington, a leader among a growing band of environmental consultants, as a management tool comprising a systematic, documented, periodic and objective evalu- • Environmental Manage

ity management programmes. Training then becomes part of

One of the few organisations to offer external courses specifically on environmental topics is the Sundridge Park Management Centre. Its three-day residential "Going Green for Profit" workshop was jointly organised with the PA Technology consulting group.

Awareness of issues has accelerated since the publication of the government's white paper oo the eovironment in September and the subsequent debates oo the environment protection bill. In May, when Sundridge Park launched its workshop, Cate Savage, the Another approach, advocat- programme director, was undemand. Yet its popularity

> Ms Savage says that enquiries have come from organisations ranging from cosmetics and toiletry companies to local authorities and individ-

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Although business sehools in Europe boomed during the Eighties, a significant change was taking place in company attitudes towards the business school style of management

Companies have become more self-confident in analysing what they need from providers of management development programmes, and are demanding that their needs are met. One result has been the growth of organisations providing management education tailored to specific companies' oeeds.

These range from manage ment consultancies and large European coocerns, such as Management Centre Europe and the Ambrosetti group, to small, highly specialised training consultancies such as Harbridge House, the TDA Consulting Group and the Management Training Part-nership (MTP), all in Britain.

Training consultancies de-sign specific development programmes for companies. They are almost a direct reversal of the traditional business school open, or public, management development courses, which make a virtue of mixing managers from different companies and cultures and providing general and wide-

ranging education.
Training consultants can provide highly sophisticated programmes. Harbridge House, for example, has devised a comprehensive programme with Simoo Engi-neering that includes 11 modules for senior management. This counts as 45 per cent of an MBA with Sheffield **Business School**

The content of the modules was developed by Harbridge after meetings with Simon Engineering's senior managegeared to company policy. Similarly, TDA provides what it calls "strategic learning", which matches tailored training programmes to planned strategie changes within an ways of delivering pro-

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organisation or develops existing management programmes. The polytechnics are also moving into this area. George Wimpey, the construction group, is working with Ealing College, part of the Thames Valley Polytechnic, to develop a tailored diploma in management administration that may become a "Wimpey MBA".

These changes, and the implications for increased competition, have not been lost oo the business schools. Although a few still refuse to he involved in tailoring courses to companies, many have embraced the idea. Several schools now encourage managers taking courses to use material from their company in their studies. Henley example, is closely involved with a number of company and consortium MBAs and has a unit to deliver company-

Dominique Heau, the associate dean for executive education at Insead, near Paris, argues that business school courses will become much ment and the programme is more a mixture of company tailored programmes and open courses.

IMD, in Lausanne, Switzerland, another leading international school, is looking at

grammes that blend open courses, tailored learning and in-company consultancy.

At Ashridge, in Hertford-shire, the developing manager skills programme is being redesigned to include some of the ideas that have been promoted by training consultancies. The programme is based on small seif-development groups in which the members help one another to identify their training needs. Every individual then drafts his own self-development plan, which tailors the threeweek course to his company.

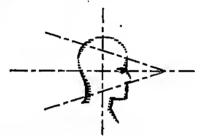
However, the partial entry of the business schools into this market raises what Alan Warner, MTP's managing partner, believes is a crucial dilemma for the schools: who is their customer, the individual or the company? "I do oot think that there will be a continuing big market for the bland, general, opeo post-experience courses," he says. 'An MBA is attractive to the individual; the in-company course is attractive to the company. I think it is difficult for the husiness schools to

have a foot in both camps, The growth of the training market and the response of the business schools has created a highly segmeoted market for management development programmes and one that Insead's Dominique Heau describes as almost a buyer's market, compared with the oligopoly of the leading business schools a few years ago.

David Hussey, the managing director of Harbridge House, is concerned that the fragmented nature of the management development industry in Britain, where all the leading institutions are about the same size, will prevent any real developments.

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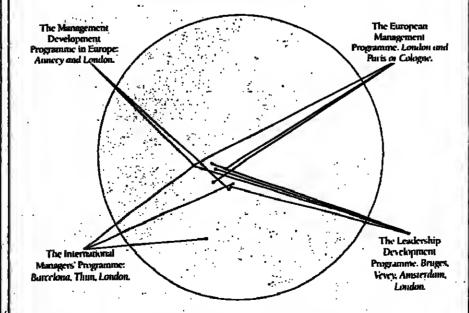
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management students on his BSc course in ethics. This year he has 40. Growing student demand is getting through to British business schools, which are at last accepting that ethics should appear on the syllabus. The latest college to introduce the subject is Manchester, under the title "cor-The success of the subject is tempered by resistance from some businessmen and academics. Professor Mahoney says business ethics is "bolted course, rather than integrated into every subject. "The ideal is for other teachers to take it into their teaching," be says. However, this would require a

Learning to choose the "right" course of action: students are taught that profits and ethics are not mutually exclusive

management education, which regards ethics as a central part of the syllabus. As the title of the Manches-

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practice, as well as theory. or Scotland, where they have Manchester, so Professor Macompulsory at their institute honey's chief concern is to tions and 18 felt it should be.

Morality, now taught at many business schools, is still treated with scepticism, Nicholas Kochan writes

Ethics enter the classroom

One of the problems with encouraging social respon-sibility in business has been ter course, corporate responsibility, suggests, there is still understand the right course of highlighted by Charles Handy confusion about finding a name that accurately describes this hybrid of corporate this hybrid of corporate the says. Mr Cannon Unreason. Mr Handy says: "It concentrates on the duty of is not the job [of the organistics] to may its dues to the ation] to be everyone's alterthis hybrid of corporate philosophy and individual practice. Tom Cannon, the director of the Manchester Business School, is suspicious of the term business ethics.

"The danger is that you create to encourage self-help and jobate to the state, constituted business to pay its dues to the ation] to be everyone's alternative community, providing example, if a business has to meaning and work for all for infer nor is it their job to be another arm of the state, collecting its taxes. The alternative community idea

honey's chief concern is to tions and 18 felt it should be make students aware of the Professor Mahoney says: make students aware of the ethical dimension. He talks of the "social mandate of business", arguing that society is becoming increasingly sensitive to the power of modern the state of the subject."

The students aware of the Professor Mahoney says: "Britain is still at the exploratory and somewhat tentative stage of laying foundations and establishing the academic status of the subject." business and its ethics, and far from being on the periphery of business study, ethics should be at its heart. He sees similarities between medical ethics and business ethics on the university syllabus.

rofessor Mahoney's re-cent book, Teaching Business Ethics in the He argues that there is no conflict of interest between the ethics of a business and those of the community, although the manager does have a social duty.

According to Mr Cannon, the study of ethics should include issues of management community is an integral part isation's proper job, which is to deliver quality goods and services to the customer." Mr Handy quotes one chief executive as saying: "My social objectives add 5 per cent to my costs."

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The course at King's College of ethics in Britain's business schools, polytechnics and universities. The survey found wide support for making business ethics a compulsory subject. Eight out of include issues of management.

Europe presents a different scene. The subject is entrenched and developing a traditional role in the universities. Closer links between British and European institu-

and funding to give a boost to the nascent UK tradition. The test for business ethics academic tomes it generates or positions it creates in universities, but in the performance business schools, polytechnics of students when they go into and universities. The survey management jobs.

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In Britain, where ethics and law are still only feeling their way, the success of such a

corates declared some time ago: "A man, though wise, should never be ashamed of learning more, and must unbend his mind." The observation is just as relevant to the modern business leader as to any wizened Greek elder. Yet, until re-cently, chief executives and board directors, have been notable by their absence from

training programmes. However, there are signs of an emerging humility. In response to what John Harper, the head of professional development at the Institute of Directors, describes as "consistent demands for expansion", the institute will launch soon, the institute will launch soon. The control of the professional development at the Institute of any preparation for their role as directors, and once appointed they often find themselves further."

Most chief executives are grappling with confidential strategic issues, and open appoints the professional development at the Institute of the Institute a Centre for Director Dev-

A sharing experience

"The real value is that each

learns from the other."

Senior executives have a lot to learn from one another

heed in terms of training," Mr gramme. This consists of a Harper says. "We have found day every month for six months, and is an attempt to

The centre's workshop for elopment on Detember 6.
"We have been researching carefully what directors really trainers, but Mr Harper says:

Another course available for executives, at the Ashridge Management College, in Hert-fordshire, has developed a popular action learning pro-

strategic issues, and open courses, attended by an unvetted selection of delegates, can make them clam up. On the Ashridge programme, six chiefs, from a carefully selected variety of organ public, private, large and small. One group included a beadmaster. The rationale is that by assembling a manufacture against business demands. Ton many chief executives keep their self-doubt to themselves, and this bottling-up causes even greater server. that by assembling a group with different business in-

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The management consultdifficulty of balancing home ancy, Ambrosetti, aims to stand change, "and then ex-ploit it and use it as a means of success rather than as an excuse for defeat,", Jean Lammiman, the company's UK chief executive, says.

help chief executives to under-

The Alpha-Plus programme she runs is, like the Ashridge programme, a series of monthly one-day workshops. The aim is to keep "very senior managers", who join Alpha-Plus by invitation, in touch with the latest thinking figures and academics. Speakers, selected for "pragmatism and their relevance", have included Sir Brian Corby, the president of the CBI, Theo Sommer, the editor-in-chief of Die Zeit, and Edward Luttwak, an adviser to the

Pentagon.
Mitchell Phoenix, another organisation specialising in training senior management, adopts a "top-down" ap-proach, intended to bring about an overall culture change in a business. The idea is that every senior manager can become a mentor for those terests, but similar degrees of responsibility, the underlying ships. This adds to the loneliprinciples of every member's management style emerge stress, of their position.

form close, enduring friend-be or she manages. The system of the monthly one-day session for six months is used. The onus on participants to report back every month to their peers on concrete actions they have taken is an important motivation in achieving tangible results," John Mitchell, the chairman, says.

A common feature of the programmes is the empha on the input of delegates, which often eclipses the contribution of the trainer. The more chief executives see the need for training and development for themselves, the greater the potential for improved standards.

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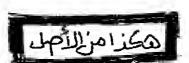
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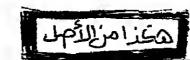
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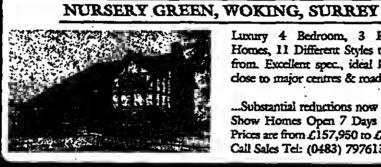


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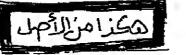
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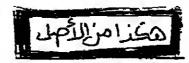
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the newest retirement scheme by Beechcroft Developments, at Alton in Hampshire, boasts a swimming-pool and an all-weaswimming-pool and an an-wea-ther tennis court among amenities accompanying the 26 apartments and cottages that stand in four acres on the edge of the town. Although swimming-pools have been incorporated in other retire-

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ment developments, this is the first to be built by Reechcroft, one of the companies operating at the top end of the retirement housing sector. It will not be the last. Henry Thornton, of Beechcroft, says: "The idea for a pool emerged from research we carried east at from research we carried out at our early scheme at Hungerford, Berkshire, where residents put it high on the list of amenities they would like. We now intend to build one in all our future

The company aims particularly at those in the top 10 to 20 per cent of the housing market, and wants to provide both the facilities that buyers expect, and congenial neighbours for them. "Owners are investing in a better quality of life which should cost them no more than it does to live elsewhere," Mr Thornton says.

Berehurst, the Alton scheme, has a range of two and three-bedroom properties, each with a conservatory and views over the town and countryside. The Watercress steam railway runs through a cutting at its boundary. The prices are from £120,000.

Beechcroft is also marketing its recently completed scheme at Upper Brook Hill, close to the town centre of Woodstock. Oxfordshire, and its next development, which the company believes to be among its finest locations, will be at Barton Farm in Cerne Abbas, Wiltshire, with a chalk stream and meadow and buildings set in the shadow of a grand tithe barn. Details: 0491 34975.

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When Beechcroft came into existence in 1984, English Court-yard Association (ECA) already had several years experience in providing retirement homes at the top end of the market, setting the standard for those who followed in its wake and, in many cases, copied its style. Apart from comparatively minor changes, its courtyard concept, offering cot-tages and apartments in a secure, cloistered atmosphere, and sur-rounded by landscaped grounds, remains intact.

Noel Shuttleworth, the founder of ECA, does not intend to change it. "We have no plans for swim-ming-pools," he says. "In our schemes we will continue to concentrate on providing, for the money, as much space in the properties as possible and a high level

of landscaping."
The latest ECA developments include Fullands Court at Taunton, Somerset. This is a combination of flats in the big house, Fullands House, and a new Georgian-style courtyard of flats and cottages (prices from £132,500 to £205,000). Ashcombe Court, close to the Minster in and apartments in a converted

Georgian house and malthouse and in two new courtyards. Prices range from £130,000 to £190,000. Work has started on a new development of 27 two and three-

bedroom cottages and flats at Lane End, near Marlow, Bucking-hamshire, which should be ready for occupation late next summer. Both ECA and Beechcroft have taken great care in working out their management schemes and service charges, conscious of the need to protect fixed incomes and

capital against inflation. ECA details: 071-937 4511.

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RETIREMENT HOMES

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Part of the retirement sector is moving towards the "total care" concept, and several leading developers have such schemes. They are joined by Goldsborough, whose close care projects already provide nursing homes and homecare and nursing services in London.

The company is opening three new developments, the first in Kensington, to be followed by Highgate and Blackheath, where Goldsborough is building apartments adjacent to their close care

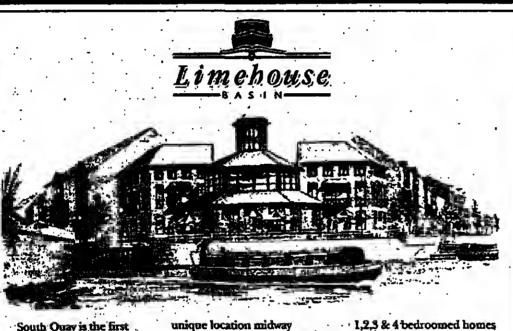
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Lamb assured that he will be given the team he wants

From Alan Lee Cricket correspondent, Brisbane

AS A man who has always sidelines missing out," he impossible that he will be the preferred to let his actions said. "The doctors have told permanent cover, if one is speak for him, Graham Gooch faces a week of considerable torment. The one certainty in his life, as he plodded unmistakeably into England's aiming to play at least one, first Test headquarters here vesterday, was that he was returning to his embattled team offering them nothing hut words.

Gooch has chosen to be with his players here rather than flying home for a period of rehabilitation. Quite right, too. But as he rejoined the party after ten days in an Adelaide hospital, impatience and frustration were inevitable emotions competing in his head even if, like every good captain in rough seas, he outwardly

impassive. Wearing a bush hat and with plastic scaffolding on his stitched and still swollen right hand, Gooch gathered his thoughts and then spoke with more confidence about his team's prospects than his own.

If this was conscious policy, a deliberate snuh to the temptation to hurry back too soon, the listener was still left with their original set of with the impression of a batsmen, poor form notworried man who could not be withstanding, Gooch's Essex sure when, or even if, he opening partner. John would be plying his trade Stephenson, will join the team again on this tour.

appointed Andy Lloyd as cap-tain for next season and will advertise for a director of coach-ing to succeed Bob Cottam, the

Lloyd, who will again have Dermot Reeve as his vice-captain, said: "I have always

believed that the captain should live or die by the results of the

team. While there was a man-ager in place, I think there was a

tendency for players to look at

two different guiding lights.
"With the captain in sole

me there is no reason why I should not make a complete recovery hut it is hard to put an accurate date on it. I'm hopefully two games before the second Test but it all depends on the rate of progress, and at the moment I must go gently because it is still stiff and tender."

· Gooch was shy of speculat-ing on the issue of sending for reinforcements until he had discussed the options with the tour management. What he did say was: "It has ohviously got to be talked about. The problem with this injury is that it is not like a break, when you know how long it is going to take. I have been told it should be all right in a couple of weeks but I just don't know if I will be able to catch a ball then. Batting will not be such a problem as fielding. It is going to be a slow joh and there is no point in getting my hopes up too soon. Although England are

committed to tackling the first Test, which starts on Friday, at practice during this leg as 'As you get older and your his winter base is just 40 miles career nears an end, you don't away at a club on Queens-want to be sitting on the land's Gold Coast. It is not

given full support to the cricket committee, which was heavily criticised by Cottam. But rebel members of the club have a no-

confidence resolution on the agenda for the annual meeting

announced an increase in mem-bers' subscriptions for next sea-

son. Membership goes up from £37.50 to £41.50. A spokesman said: "It has been necessary to

February. Kent County Cricket Club has

normally do," he said: "I think I've put on some weight and I'm very keen to start training again before I get fat, hut the physio has warned me against running too soon." All in all, his active options for the days ahead are slim, but Gooch was planning to re-

involve himself on a so far ill-

fated tour at today's full

would be illogical to draft him

in ahead of either Hugh

Gooch had some reassuring

words for Larkins and Ath-

opening pair has been grim

enough to provoke some radical views on Test team selec-

tion. "A few bad innings are not going to lead to wholesale

reorganisation," he said.

saying as much when he joins

his deputy, Lamh, and team manager, Micky Stewart, to

pick the side for the Gabba hut

he intends to relinquish the

traditional captain's casting

vote. "The first match of a

series is always particularly important, especially on a ground which historically pro-

duces a result, and although I

feel I can help with team

selection, if Allan wants a

certain player in a certain

position he should have his

way, because he has got to lead the team on the field."

to keeping his 37-year-old

frame at a physical peak,

Gooch winced as he told of his

current condition. "I've had to

eat two meals a day in

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An obsessive when it comes

Gooch will doubtless he

whose form as an

Morris or Darren Bicknell.

practice session. SYDNEY: Doug Walters, the former Australian Test batsman, will captain a Bradman XI for the one-day match against England at Bowral on December 11 (AFP reports).

BRADHAN XI: K O Walters, W Adlem, O Arms, T Boyles, M Bevan, S Bridges, M Curry. P Gernard, G F Lewson, O S Lehmann, A Tucker, J Young,

Umpiring dispute may go to the ICC

by SIMON WILDE

THE latest dispute between Pakistan and New Zealand over umpires could be their last. New Zealand may place allegations that Pakistan doctored the ball permanent cover, if one is during the recent series between them before the International Cricket Council (ICC) when it next meets in January. But one deemed necessary, but as he even missed selection for the England A team this winter it of the principal reasons for the ICC meeting is to finalise plans for an international panel of In the short term, however,

> The New Zealand board is to discuss the matter at a meeting in Auckland on Friday. It appears ready though to support claims made by its players and officials that the bost side had persistently tampered with the ball and that their protestations to the Pakistani umpires had

The New Zealanders admit that this led them to interfere with the ball themselves but the board has effectively cleared Martin Crowe, the captain, and ian Taylor, the manager, of blame by retaining them for the World Series Cup in Australia starting next week. Crowe must, however, consider himself fortunate. It was his careless remarks about local umpires before the series began that led Pakistan to ahandon their arrangements for neutral um-

New Zealand, though, have dropped seven of their Pakistan tour party for the World Series Cup, in which England also compete. Among their replacements is John Wright, the former Test captain, who had said that the visit to England last summer would be his last summer would be his last overseas tour.

For those worried by South Africa's introduction of sub-stitutes comes further alarming news. On Sunday an experi-mental one-day match will be played in Christchurch between Canterbury and Auckland, de-signed to provide greater entertainment, Teams can draw on 13 players, a batsman may have two innings, each run is worth five and the crowd will be uraged to shout their

Western Australia lead the Sheffield Shield by four points after their four-wicket victory over South Australia in Ad-ciaide. New South Wales, the holders, who were without the injured Mark Taylor were cometely outplayed by Victoria in

NEW ZEALAND PARTY (for World Series Cup): M II Crowe (captain), I O S Smith (vius-captain), A H Jones, J G Wright, M J Grastbatch, K R Rutherford, W Watson, C Pringle, O K Morrison, O E Brasburn, R Petrie, C Harris, R Lathern, & Young.

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Flat out over the blind brow

By STEPHEN SLATER

THE British drivers, Russell Brookes and Malcolm Wilson. are likely to provide the chief home opposition to Pentti Airikkala, the winner of last year's event, as the cars leave the starting ramp for the Lom-bard RAC Rally at Harrogate early on Sunday morning. Ahead of the 180 compeniors lies a four-day, 1.400-mile route which this year is tougher than ever as the crews use "pace-notes" which will accurately chart every twist and turn of the 41 timed special

Traditionally, the RAC rally

has been the only event in the world rally championship to be run in a "blind", with no reconnaissance of the sugges allowed. This year a new format has trimmed a day off the event and this week the crews began low-speed practice runs through the forest tracks.

They are making notes in a mixture of hieroglyphics and shorthand which will allow the

co-drivers to relay information on the severity of corners and crests. Received through an intercom in the driver's helmet, these terse instructions allow the car to be driven flat out, even over blind brows.
"It will make the rally

tougher, more competitive than ever," Airikkala, who has almost 20 years of experience of the RAC Rally, said. "In the past, you always had to keep a little something in reserve, but this year we will be at ten-tenths for all of the way." Airikkala cave a spectacular

Airikkala gave a spectacular demonstration of ten-tenths driving in the closing stages of last year's rally when he took victory from Carlos Sainz, of Spain, With ten competitive miles remaining. Airikkala Mitsubishi took the lead and scored his first RAC Rally

chief opposition again this year, but Airikkala is aiming to lead from the from, having transferred the covered No. I starting number to a new car, a Ford Sierra Cosworth. One of the four factory-prepared Fords in the event, the turbo-charged four-wheel drive car will feature a revolutionary seven-speed gearbox to allow even more rapid acceleration on the loosely surfaced gravel tracks. Wilson, Airikkala's Brush team-mate, is driving a similar car in the Ford factory team, but the vastly experienced Brookes is aiming for victory without the new gearbox on his

Sainz, the 1990 world cham-

PETANQUE

Little danger to Thailand

THE Thailand team must be regarded as the firmest of favourites to retain the title in the second women's world championships starring in Bangkok tomorrow (Peter Tatlow

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Course

The Thais proved their invincibility two years ago, demolishing Sweden 15-0 in the final Britain, fourth lest time, will attempt to improve on that re-

Not so plain sailing for Andrews

STUDENT SPORT

Polytechnic, who has twice won the British students' sailing champiouship, narrowly lost his challenge for a third consecutive title at the weekend (Mike Lamb

writes).

Helming in the Lark category
with James Jefferson as crew,
Andrews could justifiably be
disappointed with the outcome of the four-race series when his three scoring races, two firsts and a second, were not good

enough. Gerard Mischell and Michael

produced the same points from three races and snatched victory by virtue of a higher placing in the fourth, discarded race. Swapping the lead regularly, the two boars contested every race from the front of the 80-strong fleet in near-perfect force-four-to-five wind conditions.

John Lasenby, from Birmingham University, competing in the Laser category, demonstrated the importance of good starts and cover tacking as he finished on minimum points, winning the first three races to

The emergence of the Laser II as an all-purpose student racing boat was reflected by a fleet of over 50 as the Oxford University pairing of Michael Buchanan and Hugh Fisher cruised home with two firsts.

REBULTS: Lark Category: 1, O Mitchell M. Howler (Portsmouth Poly), %, 2, 2, %; 2, J. Andrewald Jefferson (Portsmouth Poly); 3, J. Watmany's Rockelle (UNOC). Leaver Category: 1, J. Letenby (Birmingham Unio), %, %, %, dns (did not start); 2, S. Engleien (Brighten Poly); 3, 1 (Bogden (Portsmouth Poly). Leaver 8 Category: 1, M. Burtanan/H. Fisher (Oxford Unio); 3, J. Brites/D. Salland (Polytschrift SW).

speciable placing through Claire Scott (Coventry). Tracey Cutter (Leicester) and Vanessa Webb (Southampton).

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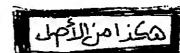
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Party Politics for topical victory in Haydock chase

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SOFT ground at Haydock today has ensured a high-class field for the the Edward Hanmer Memorial Handicap Chase, a race which has often provided clues to the destiny of the seasoo's major honours.

Won in the past by giants of the sport such as Bula, Pendil, L'Escargot, Silver Buck, Wayward Lad and Forgive'N Forget, today's race offers an intriguing blend of proven talent and potential. And it is the potential, to the massive shape of Party Politics, which may prevail this time.

Standing all of 18 hands. Party Politics started his career in point-to-points. Having been brought along. patiently by Nick Gaselee, his debut under rules last season was somewhat mauspicious when he fell at Uttoxeter.

He woo two of his other. four races, both at Warwick, the most significant factor of those victories being that they were achieved on soft ground. In the second of those wins, he beat the subsequent Sun Alliance Chase winner, Garrison Savannah, by seven lengths.

119,560 Premio Campobello (im 1) in Milan today. Il Corsair, bowever, will not be making the return journey to

1.00 Mia Fillia.

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1.30 Houghton.
2.00 PARTY POLITICS (nap).

too much. This season he won his only While respect must be ac-British trainers chase Milan prize

ALEX Scott's II Corsair (Bruce Raymond) and Paul Cole's All the King's Men (Richard Quino) are both out to complete Italian listed-race doubles in the £19,560 Premio Campobello (Im If) in Milan today.

The control of the group three Dunseldorf today where he has four rides booked. Piggott's last winner in Germany was abound the John Trick, an odds on chance, justified his market position with one the group three Octungensmooth four-length win.

Reason To Trick's victory

policy with Party Politics

start at Newbury, passing the long-time leader Huntworth,

and then repelling the late.

challenge of Bigsun by 11/2

lengths in a manner which

suggested he could hold his

the best. The weights are headed by Bonanza Boy, who

is also in his element when the

mud is flying. The dual Welsh National winner will surely

pose a threat, but I feel the

weight concessioo may prove

Today, he comes up against

own with the best.

Selections

By Mandarin

Michael Seely's selection: 2.00 Celtic Shot.

1.0 MARJORIE NOVICES HURDLE (3-Y-O: £1,933: 2m) (15 runners)

MARJORIE NOVICES HURDLE (3-Y-C; £1,535; 2m) (15 rumer:
0811 CONNWALL PRUNCE 7 (0,7) (N Celeghen) N Calleghen 10-13.

1 dREY MERLIN 19 (0,3) (Nrs P Hirton) Mics L Sidani 10-13.

12 JR JONES 19 (0,0) (T Pearson) O Burchell 16-13.

11 OME FOR THE BOYS 6 (0,7) (Mrs A Haines) M Chapman 10-13.

EASTERN PLEASURE 47 (Mrs A Victory) M Dichardson 10-10.

P HEY JOE 6 (D Pearson) G Citroryd 19-10.

MONISEUR MORFUE 68F (Charles Standars Lei) R Holder 10-10.

REVIS DE VALSE 68F (K Higson) Oarrys Smith 16-10.

SE VENDALE FOX 18F (A Writis) R Hollimband 10-10.

TRUSS 42TF (A Leighton) A Leighton 10-10.

GEYOND MONISEASA 131F (R Chymberlaic) R Chamberth 10-5.

CHOR LEADER 19F (P Montanous M Pope 10-6.

1.30 STANDARD LIFE HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,954: 2m) (11 runners)

BETTRICE: 9-4 Corresult Prince, 7-2 Choir Leader, 9-1 Grey Merlin, 9-1 J R Jones, One For The Boys, Min Filin, Pink Gin, 14-1 others.

1969, TRI FOLENE 10-8 P Scudamore (11-8 tav) M Pipe 18 ran

FORM FOCUS COMMALL PRINCE quickered clear to best Sweet Blow 81 at Kempton (2m, good to firm) hast week. Previously best Angler Resears (2m, firm). PINK 68h made best Sweet Blow 81 at Kempton (2m, good to firm) at week. Previously best Analism Stener 64 at Plumpton (2m, good to firm). Given the plumpton (2m, good to firm). The plumpton (2m, good to firm) at Bangor (2m, good to soft), J R JONES best Metaltian on the First at Saint-Cloud (1m 21 10yd, at Bangor (2m, good to soft), J R JONES best Metaltian on the First at Saint-Cloud (1m 21 10yd, at Newton) at 11 at Newton Abbot (2m 150yd, good) in September, ONE FOR THE BOYS made virtually at 10 at Newton Abbot (2m 150yd, good) in at Newton Abbot (2m 150yd, good) in the plumpton (2m 110yd, firm). Previously 11 2 and of 28 to Topesen sain to best Spider Woman 61 at Taunton (2m 110yd, firm).

Selection: CORNWALL PRINCE

ner of the Sun Alliance Hurdle Wetherby when bearing the and Sun Alliance Chase in enigmatic Kildimo by four consecutive seasons, his year's lengths. absence through injury must militate against him. Mid-night Count, without a win last season, may have stamina limitations.

Rinus won the Greenall Whitley Gold Cup here in March, prior to running third behind Mr Frisk in the Grand National. He is likely to set the nace along with Bonanza Boy, but is prone to jumping errors and that may prove his

undoing. The main threat is posed by Celtic Shot. The 1988 champion hurdler is running here, in preference to the Hennessy, prior to the King George VI Chase oo Boxing Day.

Last season, while still a novice, he was touted by many as o Gold Cup prospect. But these plans were shelved after his defeat by Sabin Du Loir at Cheltenham in January.

After finishing fifth behind Comandante in the Arkle-Trophy, he rounded off the seasoo by beating Young Sought at Ayr. This season he

Trick, an odds-on chance, jus-ified his market position with o smooth four-length win.

Reason To Trick's victory was a boost for one of France's too two-year-olds, Exit To No-where, who had beaten him by five lengths in the group three

I feel his handicap mark owes more to his status as a hardier than his achievements over fences and, while Party Politics is 3lb outside the handicap, the handicapper may not yet have got to grips with this progressive young chaser and he is my nap.

David Nicholson is enjoying his best start to a seasoo and Waterleo Boy, who just lost out to Bambrook Again to that titanic battle in the Queen Mother Champion Chase, can carry oo the good work in the Standard Life Handicap Chase.

Chase.

He unscated Jamie Osborne at Devon two weeks ago, when Sabin Du Loir beat Desert corehid, but should have enough in hand to hold Meikleour, winner of the Vio-Meikleour, winner of the Vioenough in hand to hold Meikleour, winner of the Viotor Chandler Chase at Ascot in February, oo a line through

At Plumpton, it is hard to oppose Wishlen in the Coomes Handicap Hurdle. Coomes Handicap Hurdle. Orchid We must not be fright-free seven-year-old, who is soon to go chasing, won the New Year's Day Hurdle at "I would love to see him run windsor two seasons ago and to the National. If I had been bis Windsor two seasons ago and looks a class above this field.

Men Of Yorkshire may prove the answer to an open-looking Coomes Senior Citi-bandicapping." zens Novices' Chase, while at Keiso, Old Applejack, who was slightly out of his depth when third to Celuc Shot at Wetherby, can pick up the "It is early days. There are winning thread in the Arpal Centenary Handicap Chase."

Wetherby, can pick up the "It is early days. There are several bridges to be crossed before it could come about." Centenary Handicap Chase.

£650,000 in 1991

By DICK HINDER THERE will be record prizemoney on offer at next year's Grand National meeting (April 4-6) estimated at £650,000, an

increase of more than £100,000 oo last season.

The Seagram Grand National will be worth at least £160,000, an increase of more than 30 per cent, Ivan Straker, chairman of Seagram Distillers, said yesterday. For the first time, the big handicap has gained the status of o pattern race as a grade three

Joho Parrett, Aiotree's managing director and clerk of the course, said: "Great empha-sis has been placed on building up the Thursday and Friday cards. Thursday will now have £144,000 in added prize-money, which will include the Glenlivet

be run over the three days with 11 having pattern status.

Commenting on Desert Or-chid's possible participation in next year's National, Straker said: "I believe the Grand National is made for Desert TYRONE Bridge, a top-class stayer on the Flat with seconds in the Irish St Leger and the Ascot Gold Cup to his credit, allowed an outstanding recruit to jumping with an effortless winoing debut over hurdles in the Reynoldstown Cup at Wolver-hammton westerday.

The race was run to a blioding rainstorm and Martin Pipe said: "That's got him used to winter weather. He is good. He was a natural from the start but I don't know where we go from here." Paul Green, owner of Tyrone Bridge, added: "I would not advise anyone to back Tyrone."

to the National. It I not been one owner, I would have run him in this year's race, rather than next, because I believe be would have had a better chance, purely on On the prospect of Aintree

taking up an option on Ayr's mid-November meeting to add a second meeting to their fixture

Aintree set Wyatt reappointed to offer chairman of Total chairman of Tote

LORD Wyatt of Weeford, aged
72, is to remain as chairman of
the Horse Racing Totalisator

Wyatt's current three-year term
of office expires.

Lord Wyatt's chances of being Board for another two years when his current term of office expires next April, David Waddington, the Home Secreappointed would have been drastically reduced if the de-cision had been left uotil after the outcome of the Conservative party leadership contest and Mrs Thatcher is ultimately retary, announced yesterday.

The reappointment, fore- and Mi shadowed in The Times last ousied. month, follows the decision of Mrs Thatcher to overrule the wish of the Home Office to find a successor to the peer.

Yeard Mrs Thatcher to overrule the wish of the Home Office to find a successor to the peer.

Lord Wyatt, a close friend of the Prime Minister, has been charman of the Tote since 1976 and yesterday's announcement and its strange timing will cause considerable unease to racing and political circles.

Many senior racing figures.
including the upper echelons of the Jockey Club, were keen to see a new chairman who would see a new chairman who would were due to be taken up. "There become a worthy competitor to
the "big three" boolomakers —
Ladbrokes, Hills and Corals.

Christopher Haines, chief
executive of the Jockey Club,
has been particularly critical of
the Tote's performance and said
recently. "If I ran it I could raise
thought the sooner the appointment was made the better,
rather than having another two
which was causing the Tote o
certain omount of embarrassment," a spokesperson said.

Asked whether that timing was its profits from £8 million to £18

The timing of yesterday's Home Office statement is most unusual because it was made almost six months before Lord

Hennessy doubt

which owes more to the peer's

relationship with Mrs Thatcher than the future needs of the Tole

and racing. Lord Wyatt is due to be chairman until the eod of

were due to be taken up. "There had been so much speculatioo

which was causing the Tote o certain omount of embarrass-ment," a spokesperson said. Asked whether the timing was linked to the theset more than

linked to the threat posed to

Lord Wyatt by o possible defeat for Mrs Thatcher, the spokes-person added: "That is most interesting speculation."

Tyrone Bridge pleases

hampton yesterday.

Richard Dunwoody had the Bridge for the Champion Hurzle on favourite tracking the dle at the moment. The Ascot dual winner, La Cienaga, until settling the issue in a few strides two from home.

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Selections

By Mandarin

By Michael Seely

12.45 Arpal Breeze. 3.15 HIGHFRITH (nap).

Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.15 DALKEY SOUND.

12.45 ARPAL EDINBURGH NOVICES HURDLE

1 P-11 CARTHAGENA COTTAGE 27 (D) Mrs V Aconley 0-11-5

1.15 HAMILTON AND INCHES NOVICES HANDI-

1 4611 MOMENT OF TRUTH 12 (CD.F.G.5) P Mortakin 8-12-0

2 4185 PALM HOUSE 8 (NF,D,F,G,S) G Richards 9-11-3
3 85-6 MERITINOORIE 12 (S) G Moore 7-11-2. J Callegham (3)
4 SIV DYVINE CHARGER 680 (F) W A Stephenson 0-11-1
A Meaninger

1.45 EDINBURGH WOOLLEN MILLS HANDICAP HURDLE (23,785: 2m) (11)

2 21-1 SHERWOOD GURNER 16 (D.F.Q.5) O Brussen 0-11-2
8 1111 NAMEDFUS 12 (CD.F.Q.) M H Expensive 4-11-2 R Gentley
4 21/ GREAT SALING 856 (D.G.S) F Jorden 5-11-0 Leckter (3)
5 /12- MRSS RELIGIN 35F (D.F.) Mrs G Reveloy 0-10-0 D Manual

ALemech (7)
11 \$/3 TREYARNON 34 (CD,5) P Monteth 9-10-0 L O'Here (3)

3-1 Mineofus, 4-1 Pandolph Piace, 0-1 Sherwood Gunner, 8-1 Mise Roleum, 10-1 Clay County, 10-1 others.

Master Rajh, who ended last season with four

1 53-1 RANDOLPH PLACE 55 (D.O.S) G Richards 0-12-0

11-8 Mornett Of Truth, 5-2 Paim House, 5-1 Maus Cross, 10-1 Mertmoore, 12-1 Potato Picker, 14-1 others.

CAP CHASE (E3,590: 2m 196yd) (9)

2 -112 LOTHLAN CAPTAIN 14 (CD,G) W Crewford 5-11-5

3 -712 MR WOODCOCK 18 (D,F,Q) Mrs G Reveloy 5-11-5 4 02-1 ARPAL BREEZE 14 (CD,G) G Richards 5-11-2

Going: good

(£2,679; 2m) (13 runners)

12.45 Arpai Breeze, 1.15 Moment Of Truth, 1.45 Nineofus. 2.15 Farnworth. 2.45 Thunder Flower. 3.15 Old Applejack. 3.45 Cab On Target.

By PHIL MCLENNAN

ENVOPAK Token, a 12-1 ehance for Saturday's Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup, is almost certain to miss the £50,000 Newbury race and run instead in the Tim Molony Memorial Chase at Haydock Park

A spokesman for Josh Gifford, who trains Envoyak Token, said yesterday: "He's virtually certain to go to Haydock because of the soft

Bookmakers yesterday re-tained the 1989 Sun Alliance Chase winner in their lists but Corals pushed the nine-year-old

April 1993.
The Home Office agreed yesterday that appointments of this out two points to 12-1. The same firm report strong support for the three market leaders with Arctic Call now 4-1 favourite (from 11-21, Von Csadek 5-1 (from 11-2) and Sam

Da Vinci 6-1 (frum 7-1).

Seagram, seeking to give David Barons a third Hennessy triumph after Broadheath (1986) and Playschool (1987), was cut from 20-1 to 14-1. was cut from 20-1 to 14-1.

Despite a little rain at the Berkshire course on Monday night, the field for Saturday's big race seems sure to ent up badly unless further rain follows.

"We had 0.12 inches of rain but the clerk of the course (Charles Toller) will be dealer.

[Charles Toller] walked the course this afternoon and the going is now firm on the chase course and good to firm on the hurdles," a course spokesman

Charlie Brooks confirmed Espy a definite runner, with Ben de Haan riding, if blood tests taken yesterday prove satisfactory. Results of the tests are spected tomorrow.

Brooks also confirmed that he is now the trainer of Fort Nocl, one of last season's most promising novice hurdlers when trained by Josh Gifford,

2.15 EUROSCOT VENTURES REG TWEEDIE NOVICES CHASE (£3,557: 3m) (6)

1 0/1 FARRWAND TO TOPOGRAP J Chilegher (3)
2 -42P SLAVE TIME 21 J Johnson 0-11-2 ______ A Critiney
3 D-U2 TEACAKE 11 G Richards 0-11-2 _____ A Merrigan
4 U42 MAJIC RAIN 12 W A Stepherson 5-11-0 __ A Merrigan
5 -PF3 ROYAL MILE 14 (F,G) W A Stepherson 5-11-0 __ MK I Johnson
MK K Johnson T Reed

45 Farmiorth, 9-4 Royal Miss, 8-1 Teacake, 10-1 Majic Rain, 18-1 Stave Time, 33-1 Politorig. 2.45 GRANTS WHISKY NOVICES HANDICAP

1 2114 BREAK THE CHAIN 13 (BF,F,G) W.A. Stophenson 5-12-0 A. Lannach (7) 2 3115 MRSTER TUFTIE 8 (F) G. Richards 0-11-10... N Doughty 3 P-12 THUNDER FLOWER 70 (F) G. Hichards 5-10-8

3.15 ARPAL CENTENARY HANDICAP CHASE 1 112- TARTAN TAXEOVER 214 (G,S) G Richards 6-12-0

2 1-13 OLD APPLEJACK 18 (F.S.) J Johnson 10-11-10 T Reed 3 43-F HIGHERITH 18 (CD,Q,S) G Richards 7-11-3 N Doughty 4 1-P1 THIGPOINT CHARLIE 28 (CD,F,G) W A Stephenson

6 (02- ADEN APOLLO 366 (C.O.S) T Craig 6-10-13, R Marie) 7 U-31 DALKEY SOLDIO 31 (C.O.S.) 1 Craig 6-10-13, R Marie)

8 2211 SPEECH 25 (F) W A Stephenson 7-10-2 Mr K Joinson 3-1 Did Applelack, 7-2 Trigpoint Charlie, 9-2 Dalkey Sound, 8-1 Highfith, Worthy Knight, 8-1 Tartan Takeover, 10-1 others.

3.45 ARPAL EDINBURGH YOUNG JUMPERS NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£2,250: 2m) (22)

1- CAB ON TARGET 271 (S) Mrs G Revoley 4-11-8 R Hodge (7)

2 SAY LITTLE 51 G Moore 4-11-2 J Categorer (3)
0-0 SPONSOR LIGHT 4 J Gledson 0-11-2 NR D Scott
YOUNG MINER J 5 Wison 4-11-2 D Poole (7)
2 ZAREANO R LISTD 4-11-2 J O'Cleman (3)
0- BELLAVENTIME 259 O Moriatt 4-10-11 D Moriat (7)
8 LIGHT O' LOVE 38 R Tato 0-10-11 Nies F Tate (7)
0- LOTHAN ROSE 251 W Crewlord 4-10-11 Miles F Tate (7)

21 REDHALL ROYALE T Robson 0-10-11. M Moloney (5)
22 60 ROSEWELL 12 J Charlton 4-10-11 P Harta (3)
7-4 Wibble-Wabble, 5-2 Cab On Target, 4-1 Say Little,
7-1 Mackinnon, 10-1 Gymerak Stardom, 12-1 Others.

Course specialists

TRAINERS: G Moore, 20 winners from 79 numers, 25.3%; Jimmy Fitzgerald, 9 from 38, 23.7%; M H Easterby, 7 from 30, 23.3%; G Richards, 35 from 142, 23.2%; Ms G Reveley, 18 from 59, 18.0%; W Stephenson, 45 from 292, 15.4%.

5 -491 WORTHY KNIGHT 5 (F,G,S) B McLean 9-11-0

1 O/1 FARNWORTH 14 (C.Q.S) O Moore 7-11-8

HURDLE (£2,385: 2m 6f) (10)

Il Corsair, bowever, will not be making the return journey to Britain as he has been sold to o leading Italian stable, the Scuderia Lady M. Lester Piggott's European Rennen in 1985. Rennen in 1985. In France yesterday, Michael (Richard (Richard Quinn) was besten 4½ lengths where, who had beaten him by into third by the impressive five lengths in the group three Reoson To Trick (Cash Asmussen) in the five-runner course last month.

2.30 Waterioo Boy.

D J Burchell

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Guide to our in-line racecard 1 113143 GOOD TAKES 13 (NF.F.O.S) (Mrs O Robinson) B Hall 12-0 \$ West (7) 88 Record number. Shi-figure form (F- fell. P-pulled up. U-unessed rider. B-brought down. 2.—alipped up. R-ratused. (F- firm, good to firm, herd. G- good. O- disquelified). Horse's name. Days S- soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in since least outing: Ff first. (B- bilinkers, by winner. H- hood. E- Specialci. C- course and Handlespper's rating. 2.0 EDWARD HANNER MEMORIAL HANDICAP CHASE (£10,155: Sm) (6 runners)

306 SP/5313- RBBIS 228 (CD.F.O.S) (A Proce) O Richards 9-107 R Do 308 PP114-1 PARTY POLITICS 21 (D.F.S) (D Stoddart) N Gassies 6-10-7 A Long handleng: Rinus 10-8, Party Politics 10-4.
BitTTING: 5-2 Cattic Shot, 3-1 Bonanza Boy, 5-2 Party Politics, 11-2 The West Awake, 0-1 Rinus, 12-1 Michight Count.

1988: GOLDEN FREDIO 11-10-10 G McCourt (9-2) J McConnochie 5 ran

FORM FOCUS BONANZA BOY inunproven over this trip. THE WEST AWAICE prewhich National St Chapatow (2m 64, acrt) by 16 from
Coof Ground lest December, Pulled up behind Four
Tibs in Scottish equivalent at Ayr (4m 120yd, good to
soft in April. CELTIC SHOT best Young Shugit 34 in
Ayril. Seat Riddmo 41 in grade if Chapato Hell Chase
is Westerby (2m 100yd, good) emiler this proofts.
MEDINIGHT COURT faded when 28 3rd to Midnight
Train at Westerby (2m 100yd, good) in February and is selecting (ELTIC SHOT

7 an at Wasterby (2m 100yd, good) in February and is selecting (ELTIC SHOT).

2.30 STANDARD LIFE HANDICAP CHASE (£3,622: 2m) (5 runners)

Lung hendlogs; Nos Na Gacilhe 9-11. INETTRICE 13-8 Kelabatic, 15-8 Waterloo Boy, 7-2 Melideour, 0-1 Foyle Fishermen, 20-1 Nos Na Gacilhe 1989: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS WATERLOS BOY close up when unsenting rider 7th on responsements behind Statin Du lor et Devon (2m 11, good). Showed best form lest seeson when XI 2m to Bernbrook Aguir in Queen Mother Chempion Chase at Chetterham (2m, good) at Lawrpool (2m, from), with WATERLOO BOY (5th March. Memory of two novice victories two seasons are distance when XI 2m it can seeson in a veluable lower mark on finel start test seeson in a veluable lower mark on finel start test seeson in a veluable Assot handcap (2m, good to soft). FOYLE FISHER
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3.0 BMW SERIES CHASE (Qualifier: £3,172: 3m) (4 runners)

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Course specialists

FORM FOCUS RED SCORPION | at Newbury (2m 100yd, good to firm). SUPREME showed some ability in Nestonal Hurt But races two seasons ago, most venerally at Newbury (2m 100yd, good), when 13/17% of 24 to Johnny Will at Newbury (2m 100yd, good), when 15/15% of 19 to Taiking Morney, STRONG BEAU 95/14% of 12 to Driver in a Nestonal Hurt fat race at Chatterham (2m, firm) in April, SUPREME DEALER XI 2nd to Purry Knows in a nowless hurdle

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Rides Per cent -15 38.3 50 92.0 192 25.5 23 21.7 96 18.8

2.15 COOMES CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (21,660; 2m)

wins in o row, resumed where he left off by winning the Charter Hardware Handicap Chase at Wolverhampton yesterday. JOCKEYS: Mr K Johnson, 7 winners from 19 rides, 36,8%; L O'Hara, 0 from 34, 23,5%; R Hodge, 3 from 14, 21,4%; N Doughty, 18 from 81, 19,8%; O Byrne, 4 from 23, 17,4%; R Marley, 8 from 44, 13,6%. Wolverhampton Geing good to firm (chase course); good to stri (chase course); good to firm (chase course); good to stri (chase course); good to stri (undes) 1.0 (2m hds) 1, SPAISCLER GEES [M] Richards, 14-11; 2, Middes (5 Smith Eccles, 0-1); 3, Dosable Handfull (P Dever, 14-1); ALSO RAN: 6-4 fav Fair Prospect (56), 5-7 (20); 11.0, 27 (20); 27 (20); 11.0, 27 (20);

1.30 Sm 11 ch) 1, BRADWALL (S J O'Nell, 8-11 favt; 2, Tight Turn (J Frost, 5-22, 3, Pathouser Per (R Dumwoody, 4-1), ALSO RAN: 50 Phalles Folly (4th), 66 koffi (f), 5 ran, Hd, %I, clist, G Barriow at Sand-booh, Tobe 21.50; £1.10, £1.40, DF; £2.00, CSF; £2.83.

S1.10, S1.20, DF: \$1.40, CSF: \$1.70,
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CROSS (M Fosser, 9-4 tav); 2, Wramac (J
Frost, 7-1); 3, Prisee's Court (K Mooney,
5-1), ALSO RAN; 11-2 Medistor (pd), 6
Whiter Haven, 16 Contempa (I), Generous Scot (4th), 20 Foo(fa, Good Causa,
25 Rymer King (pd), Kinglisher Bay (6th),
50 Stormetter (9th), 66 Striate Brother,
Swinjay, 14 ran, 12, 3, 8, 1, 30, M Pipe
at Williamon, Tokes 2-10; 22.20, 22.30,
23.30, DF: 25.90, CSF: \$17.95, Tricest:
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Geing: good to firm.

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2.18 (2m 4f 100yd ch) 1, IMPERTAIN (N Smith, 14-1); 2, Impeny (F Mortagh, 0-1); 3, Ainety Fox (F Middley, 5-1), ALSO RAN; 7-4 fav Absonant (f), 9-2 Valentinos Joy (ur), 7 Desditre (ur), 8 ran. 25i, 1i, 7 Curningham, at Northalisrion, Tota; 517.70; 53.80, 22.20, DF: 517.90, CSF: 257.94.

E10.95.

2.36 (2m 4/ oh) 1. ELITE BOY (J Raiton, 11-4; Private headicasper's ten rating); 2. Nejor Effort (J Frost, 4-5. lav); 3. Rey Prince (F Beren, 25-1), ALSO RAIt; 4 Miss of Time (6%), 50 Just Neic (4th), 5 ran, 12, 164, 294, 11, M Oliver et Drobwich. Toke: E220; E1.20, E1.20, DP: E1.80, CSF: E5.05.

25.06.
2.0 (2m 4f hole) 1, TVRONE BRUSSE (R Durwoody, 1-2 fav); 2, Le Cleanes (J Frost, 7-4); 3, Cleanes Schemest (M File 1, Lack) Token (R Hodge, 8-1); 3, Frost, 7-4); 3, Cleanes Schemest (M File 1, Lack) Token (R Hodge, 8-1); 3, Houstaine Farm (M Dayer, 15-8 fav); 41, 10, Cleanes (H), 50 Cleanes (H), 51 Fighting Finish (6th), 25 True File, Arcticitow, 66 Gevorance (H), 51 File (H), 51 Fil Easterby at Gt Habton. Tota: E4.70; £1.30 £2.50, £1.50, DP: £16.60, CSP: £30.50 Tricast: £66.89. pet: £56.38.

Southwell

Tables surround
12.30 (70), Eveding (Dale Gibeon, 12-1); 2, Mick's Chokes (14-1); 3, Danzig Lad
(5-1), Western Ace 9-4 fav. 14 rgs, Nk, nk.
Westings-Bass. Tote: £14.30; £3.40,
22.40, £2.50, DF: £86.90, CSF; £156.14. 1.0 (7) 1. Eurobinke (Alex Greeves, 10-1); 2, Candesco (11-1); 3, For Real 0-1); 4, Wittper in (20-1), Tempering 7-2 fev. 18 ran. 3, 15); T Barron, Tota: 21.50; 22.50, 22.50, 22.60, 25.60, 05. 23.57; 10. CSF: 2115.55, Tricest: 2882.24.

3.0 (5) 1, Little Flasher (K Darley, 12-1); 2. Flying Promise (11-1); 3, Kreischim (20-1), Jess Rebec 9-4 Izv. 15 ren. %1, 21. M W Easterby. Tote: £11.10; £3.80, £3.50, £3.10. DF: £130.40. CSF: £135.42. Treast: £2.573.72. NR; Cafbeirn.

3.30 (1m 4f) 1. Society Ball (G Duffield, 9-2); 2, Brigadler Bill (8-1); 3, Tresposum (20-1); 4, Mytontaine (12-1); Beau Benz 5-2 fav. 18 ran. 11, 14, 15 Weess, Tote: £6.40; £3.30, £2.20, £8.10, £3.90, DF: £19.30, CSP: £49.05, Tricset: £856.91. Placecot: 2729.50.

 David Nicholls was suspended for four days (November 29-December 2) for excess-

ive use of the whip on runner-up Mick's Choice in the first di-vision of the River Idle Maiden Stakes at Southwell yesterday.





Atkins plays himself in with tone and style To use an analogy from his favourite sport of cricker, Robert Atkins is playing limself in steadily as the new for sport to set the "tone and style". The direction in which the government wants sport to go will be outlined in a Review of Sport, Atkins is likely to be more though team games form a valuation of the sport to go will be outlined in a Review of Sport, Atkins is likely to be more

the minister real power would be

that he could co-ordinate the

present allocation of resources,

particularly on major projects

such as multi-purpose stadiums

used for athletics and football and

possibly other sports. However, an event like the Olympic Games

would need further funding. On this Atkins is clear: "Money

for a bid for the Games will'not be

forthcoming from the govern-ment." So if Britain were to try

again for the Olympics, it must be

with the support of private fi-nance, although money could be

available for infrastructure,

Given the enthusiasm of several important ministers such as John

Major, Chris Patten, David

himself in steadily as the new minister for sport. However, with an election due within 18 months, his innings may not be a long one. By polling day he may scarcely have had time to reach double

Atkins has taken oo the post with the disadvantage, although some see it as the advantage, of knowing very little about sport, either nationally or internationally. His predecessor, Colin Moynihan, was not forgiven by many administrators for often preferring the advice and assistance of active or recently retired competitors. Having been a mem-ber of Britain's 1980 Olympic team, Moynihan knew the value of their experience.

Atkins has no such committed views. However, his main task, unless football hooliganism again gets out of cootrol, will be to produce a Review of Sport, due to be published early next summer. This will outline the direction in which the government wants

for sport to set the "tone and style". To achieve these, he has a staff of shout 25 people at the Department of the Environment.

This month he obtained £46.6 million from the Treasury for British sport. The minister has oo control over the distribution of these funds. They went to the Sports Council, the quango that is largely subsidised by taxpayers' money and employs more than 600 people.
Unlike a country such as

France, the minister has no real power. When the Treasury gave s tax concession of £100 million to football in the last Budget for the improvement of football stadiums over the next five years, the funds were given to the Football Trust and not to the minister for

The only thing on which Moynihan and Denis Howell are reputed ever to have agreed is that the minister should be chairman of the Sports Council (as originally occurred in the 1960s) and the minister should have control over the funds which he has

to be published next summer. This will be the

main task of Robert Atkins, whose innings as minister for sport could be cut short by the

demands of a general election. John Goodbody assesses the minister and his challenge

negotiated with the Treasury. It would probably need legislation to allow the government to take direct control of the Sports Council but at least it would help eradicate some of the duplication of work which is hampering progress. Such a move would give the opportunity for British sport to Obtain what it is missing

tkins has yet to be con-vinced, although he says be has a genuinely open mind.
I have to see whether I need to change the direction of the horse. At the moment I have just

intelligent leadership.

mounted it. Another advantage of giving

Atkins is likely to be more successful with the government on obtaining legislation on drugs, a campaign he has inherited from Moynibau. He says he will be even "more supportive" than Moynihan in the move to make the possession of anabolic steroids a criminal offence. "I am pressing the Home Office as strongly as I can to get a decision. It has got to happen."

Atkins is less progressive on the

subject of sport in schools, believing that there are not enough team games during PE time. Given his background of playing cricket and football at Highgate, his member-ship of the MCC and Lancashire County Cricket Club and his enthusiasm for rugby union, this

owever, it is contrary to the advance thinking in PE such as that of Elizabeth Murdoch, a member of the government's working party for the national curriculum and the person selected by Dick Tracey, a though team games form a valuable part of the curriculum, there is still a bias in that favour and this will have to change in the

Atkins is less contentious when he emphasised the improvement in the standards of sportsmanship, something which will set an example for young people which are a particular area of interest for

Atkins has been an experienced junior minister, having held of-fices in transport, industry and employment. What British, or rather English, sport — because by another eccentricity he is only minister for England — needs to know, is whether he will be content just to set the style and tone for the future

The alternative is more crucial and exciting. It is that, with the Review of Sport, the minister becomes a figure of significance and importance and possibly, with other responsibilities in his portfolio, acquires a position in



RUGBY UNION

Divisional selectors will rely heavily on Orrell and Bath

THE North's challenge for the ADT divisional championship next month will be on the four-square Orrell side. Ten of the XV to play London, the champions, at the Stoop Memorial ground on December 1 come from Orrell, including the entire front five, and the same club provides Neil Ashurst, who replaces Peter Winterbottom at open-side flanker.

The South and South-West, though, will be without Jeremy Guscott, the Bath and England centre, for their opening divisional game against the Midlands at Leicester. Guscott will be on a holiday cruise next week, but will be available for the two subsequent matches, on December 8 and 15 - as will Wade Dooley for the North. Any differences which may have existed between Dooley and the divisional selectors bave vesterday, the North can call upoo him at need.

David Robinson, the be of value at the back of the North's coach, admitted yes-

By GEORGE ACE

Ulster

little hope

THE Ulster selectors meet on Sunday to determine the team that will open the defence of the procincial title, won by the northern province for the past six seasons, against Leinster at Ravenhill on Saturday week. They will derive little en-couragement from the perfor-

mance of the three clubs from Ulster competing in the first division of the All Ireland League. Ballymena are the only one of

the three who have beaten opposition from south of the border. But they have fallen apart over the last two Saturdays, sustaining successive defeats against Garyowen and S1

Mary's College.

Malone, with five defeats from as many games, look certain in find out what life is like in the second division next season. Instonians, with three points from a possible eight, gained through a win over Malone and the draw with Ballymena, are by no means

a more encouraging picture with Bangor unbeaten in five outlings, including four wins, and only one point adrift of Old Wesley, their opponents at Uprichard Park on Saturday.
This promises to be a memo-

rable occasinn between two teams that have scored 207 points in the league, with Old CIYMS have won their last

two games after a pointless opening three, while NIFC, who started with an encouraging away win over Athlone, bave since found the going tough and have only two points from a

possible ten.
With three clubs being relegated from the second division, that puts them in the danger zone with Connacht's representatives. Corinthians and Athlone, who are still looking for their first points.

Scotland, the home of sevena-side rugby, and France will compete for the first time in the Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Bank Invitation Sevens on March 23 and 24, 1991. Argentina, who last played in Hong Kong in 1988. will make a welcome return to the event along with Spain. The draw for the competition will be made on FebNORTHERN DIVISION (v London; Orrell unless stated; I Hanter (Northempton); N Healop, S Langford, B Barley (Watefield), R Underwood (Lelessen); M Street, D Morris; M Hynes, N Hitchen, II Southern (Captsin), S Gallagher (Waterloo), R Kammins, O Cuberal, N Asturet, A Macfarlane (Sale), Replacements: O Pears (Harloquim), G Deggert (Aspetria), N Whitcombe (Sale), P Hackatt (Waterloo), J Home (Harlepool Rovers), B Cleery. Cleary. SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST DIVISION (V Midlands: Bath unless stated): J Webb; A

SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST DIVISION (v Midlands; Bath unless stated); J Webb; A Swift, R Knibbs (Bristol), A Adebayo, P Hall (Bristol); M Hamilin (Gloucester), R Hall; Y (Brogus, G Dave, R Lee, J Hall, N Robinson (captain), M Taegue (Gloucester), R Robinson (captain), M Taegue (Gloucester), R Hannaford (Gloucester), K Dunn (Gloucester), P Jones (Gloucester), I Smit (Gloucester), Smith (Gloucester), Bettr matches to be played on December 1. firm of Kimmins and Cusani

lineout oeeds against London. The North were resigned to the loss of Winterbottom, and colours, though they would

lineout

player for the division, as will Ian Hunter, the Northampton full back whose speed and strength will surely be used to set up the two England wings, Underwood and Heslop. Acknowledging the depen-

dency npon Orrell players Robinson said: "There are some good players at other - Kevin Simms for instance - but we would be fools not to recognise how well Orrell are playing, the con-fidence with which they are playing, or to try and break up successful partnerships." The South-West, who

believe that there is a fresh tend to the North's and genuine commitment to divisional rugby among the leading players in their area, move Adedayo Adebayo, the wish him well in Londoo's Bath wing, into the centre against the Midlands, whose have appreciated greater no- side will be named oext tice of his going than last Monday. Their's is something weekend. His decision opens of an all-purpose threequarter been tidied up and, though the the way for Ashurst, an Eng- line and includes Tony Swift, England lock was due to have land under-21 player last sea- who chose not to play diminor surgery on his knee son. The selectors have opted visional rugby last season, but for Sean Gallagher on the has returned to the fold, along blind side, since his beight will with John Hall at flanker.

Carlos Tozzi, the UAR presi-dent, insisted that three inter-

dent, insisted that three inter-nationals in eight matches was a realistic rehearsal for the task awaiting his country in the World Cup. But Luis Gradin, the coach, said: "It has been a very hard tour for a new, young team. Although we gained good experience perhaps it would have been better to have played more sames in Ireland and not

more games in Ireland and not to have exposed ourselves to the

strength of England and Scotland."

Whether Gradin will return as coach for the World Cup remains to be decided; there may be support for the team of Pipo Mendez and Tito Fernandez,

the FIRA youth tournament.

At least the Argentinians

to be done, in areas of fitness and organisation, not least that of the back row which proved

porous at times and not suf-ficiently fast to profit from some good approach work. Ironically, their top scorer, Hernan Vidou.

appeared in only two games which, since he scored all of

Argentina's points in the two matches with England during the summer, seems a limited

Like the North they field ten from the same club, Bath, with terday that his selection com-mittee might have been into the stand-off half spot and Bristol and one from precipitate in querying ahead of David Pears, capped Northampton, Dooley's commitment to the twice in Argentina during the Etheridge, the former division. "Wade is one of the summer. Strett has blossomed Gloucester lock, who has been top six locks in the world," he this season and his goal- watched twice for his new club said, "but at his age he has to kicking is comparable with and will jump in the middle of

British heavyweights come to grips with sumo Judo men enter

Japanese circle

By NICOLAS SOAMES

BRITAIN becomes the first European country to participate in the annual International Sumo Tournament when it Sumo Tournament when it sends three heavyweights to Tokyo next Tuesday at the invitation of the Japan Sumo

For some time now, three British heavyweight judo competitors have been shedding their white jackets and donning their white jackets and donning the traditional mawashi — yards of rough but protective canvas wrapped around their middle. Last weekend, they were at their normal practice in the London Judo Society, a Stock-well judo club, accustoming themselves to belt gripping, heaving and slapping.

heaving and slapping.

Fortunately for Jim Webb,
Larry Stevenson and Bill Etherington, the event in Japan is for amateur sumo wrestlers

not professional.

It is an important distinction. It means that Stevenson, for example, will not have to pit his pairry 105 kilograms against the 225 of Konishikl. It also means, however, that he will not have the opportunity of earning so much recover either.

much money, either.

It was the professional world that Nathan Strange, aged 17, from Herne Bay, entered for six months last year, but finally quit, unwilling to put up with the rough, tough and violent existence at the bottom of the sumo rankings.

Amateur sumo is widespread in Japan. It is practised at

primary, junior and senior high school level, and at university. Some of the top processionals have come from universities—a successful sumotori of the 1960s, Wajima, came from an academic background.

academic background.

But according to Syd Hoare,
chairman, sceretary and coach
of the British Sumo Association,
the amateur sumotori, even in Japan, are of slighter size.
"If you look at the teams who

fought last year, the wrestlers are quite small," Hoare said. "In fact, on the evidence of last year our team of three will be one of the biggest in terms of weight." Grappling with an opponent in a jacket is a very different matter to an opponent with a

The second secon Japan-bound: Bill Etherington, left, and Larry Stevenson get a feel for the sport sweaty skin and only a belt to Chyonofisi victory. The com- dreadlocks of Larry Stevenson, position is formally organised in a judo teacher aged 25, pools, with a team of three — There will be teams not only

"Judo is more skilful and more complicated, but sumo is much more physical," said Webb, a judo teacher aged 26 who came second to Britain's leading judo heavyweight, Elvis Gordon, in the Welsh Open last

Though fit in judo terms, he was breathing heavily after just a few bouts with Etherington and Stevenson, even though Webb is the most experienced

The British sumo team — who will wrestle with union jacks on their mawashi — leave for Japan in time for the competition on December 1 at the Kokusikan, the main sumo arena in Tokyo, the site of many of brilliant

one member over 35, one from amateur sumo clubs all between 30 and 34, and one over Japan, but also from South under 30. Foreign teams are exempt from the age regula-tions, though the British team nearly fits the bill: Bill Etherington, a garage services manager from Blackpool, is aged 38.

Yet despite his age — and his late entry into the Japanese

martial arts, which began only martial arts, which began only six years ago — he sports a formidable physique.

Not a few Japanese will be impressed by his upper body development, which demonstrates his ability readily to bench press 450lbs. They will also be surprised by the

Korea, Hawaii, and many South American countries including Argentina, Paraguay and Brazil, where there is sumo due to the indigenous Japanese

population.

Hoare expects his wrestlers to draw on their judo backgrounds and experience of combat to make up for their lack of sumo finesse. He is, himself, a seventh dan judo instructor who speaks and writes Japanese. "I think we Japanese a surprise, and I certainly expect my men to beat the Argentines and the Paraguayans."

England will attempt to do

even better against Australia before another sell-out crowd at the Granby Halls, Leicester tonight. On Saturday, at London's Docklands Arena, a

sizeable contingent of expatriate
Australians are expected to turn
out to cheer their side in the
third and last match of the

Australia are ranked second, and England fourth, in the world, and in Michelle Fielke

two of the international game's

HOCKEY

Wild card may work against stagnation

From Sydney Friskin

IN MELBOURNE AS THE twelfth Champions Trophy tournament here gathers momentum, thoughts have already begun to drift to the finiteenth and fourteenth events in the series which will precede the 1992 Olympie Games in

Barcelona.

The fact that there are no ranking tournaments between now and 1992 provides no change in the field, which means that however they finish here, the same six teams, Australia, Pakistan, Great Britain, the Netherlands, Germany and the Soviet Union, will be seen in Berlin in 1991 and Karachi in

This is an unsatisfactory state of affairs which shuts out other countries from top-class inter-national competition and strengthens the case for a wild card entry system, now being considered. Great Britain, as Olympic champions, automati-cally qualify for the competition

for the next two years.
Yesterday was a rest day and there will be another on Friday. leaving Great Britain to com-plete their engagements against Pakistan on Saturday and the Soviet Union on Sunday. Tomorrow, the Netherlands should provide a strong chall-enge to Australia, the holders,

whose game against Germany on Sunday will bring the event

PIXTURES: Today: Netherlands v Ger many: Greet British v Australia. Tomor now: Pakistan v Soviet Union: Netherland

The expansion of bockey in Australia continued yesterday with the official launching of the Victorian Institute of Sport at Olympic Park, Melbourne, the scene of the 1956 Olympic final, in which India defeated Pakistan 1-0. The minister for sport, scheme open.

TABLE TENNIS

England team is given £100,000 deal

THE largest financial backing given to an England squad was announced yesterday with a £100,000 sponsorship from Butterfly, the equipment com-Butterfly, the equipment company, over four years (Richard Eaton writes). The deal is in partia reward for the success of English players in recent years, with silver and bronze medals won by men's teams in the last two European championships and a bronze in the inaugural World Team Cup in May.

Some of the credit for this is due to Donald Parker, the England captain and coaching.

England captain and coaching director, and to his wife and assistant, Jill Parker, the former European champion, who is starting to create success with the women's team, unexpected qualifiers for the semi-finals of the European league this season.
Butterfly has made it clear

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that it regards the progress of England's promising youngsters, as an important ingredient in the agreement, which the com-

the agreement, which the com-pany sees as an investment.

The Butterfly deal will in-clude a set of white kit, making England the first nation to adopt this colour. The ITTF pussed a rule in July permitting white for the first time in its 60 years, providing a yellow ball is used.

ENGLAND: J Brywn (Birmingham); S Edwards (Surrey), J. Sdiso (Derbyshire), S Fairweather (Surrey), M Farrell (West Yorkshire), Steamy (Kent), C Duscen (Namioshire) (New), C Dahvood (NSW), S Reinsy (NSW), C Dahvood (NSW), 18 Finite (South Australia), T Jenoke (Victoria), K Devery (NSW).

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated FOOTBALL

First-round replays

Shrewsbury v Bradford Stoke v Telford (7.45) Sutton Utd v Menthyr (7.45)... Wycombe v Boston (7.45)... Zenith Date Systems Cup

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: First di-vision: Huddersfield v Wolverburspton; Laeds v Derby (7.0); Sunderfend v Blackburn (7.0); Second division: Port Vals v Middlesbrough (7.0); Scuriftorpe v Hull (7.0); York v Blackpool (7.0).

(1) v Safabury (2); Corby (0) v King's Lynn (3); VS Rugby (1) v Cambridge City (2). HP'S LOAMS LEAGUE First divis Reddille Borough v Workington

Sally Young, playing out of

position at goal defence. Cynthia Duncan, making her debut at goalkeeper, and Joan Bryan and Sheila Edwards, the goal shooters, were England's contestanting contestanting

outstanding contributors in a

JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE Premier division: Challerie v Wisbech; Cornard v Branthen Ain; Fellxssowe v Great Yacmouth; Stownseriest v March Town. ERLY WYNNER LEAGUE: Preside X Second round, second leg: Gois Sponnymoor; Suiton v Mainby A dorton Rangers v Halfield Main.

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCHER: Oxford University v Major Stanley's XV (3.0); Swamba v Meestag (7.0); United Banks v Combined Landon Old Boys (3.1 Natwest ground, Lower Sydeman, 7.0). COUNTY MATCH SUBSEX Y

RUGBY LEAGUE

SPORT ON TV AMERICAN FOOTBALL: 888 14.00-16.00: National Football League. Screensport 18.00-22.00: College match. CYCLING: Elemaport 03.00-10.00 and 15.30-16.30: World indoor championships

FOOTBALL: BBS Eurosport 18.30-19.00 and 23.00-23.30. FOOTBALL: BBS Eurosport 22.00-23.00. 9.30-22.00 and 00.30-02.30: FA Cup: Prest round replay. GOLP: Eurosport 20.00-22.00: The World Cup from Orlando. ICE HOCKEY: Screensport 10.00-12.00 and 22.00-midright: National Hockey

MARTIAL ARTS: Eurosport 10.00-11.00: MOTORCYCLING: 888 18.00-17.00: MOTOR SPORT: Screensport 07.00-08.00, 13.00-14.00 and 18.00-18.00: NASCAR 500 and dragater racing, MULTI SPORTS: Eurosport 12.30-13.50: World Germes.

POWERBCAT PACING: Eurosport 11,00-12,00: Offshore event. BSB 22,30-23,50. POWERSPORTS (NTERNATIONAL: Screensport midnight-01,00. RACING: 898 13.30-14.00 and 23.30-midnight: Racing news.
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TENNIS: Eurosport 13.30-15.30: Kramin: Cup from Moscow. 868 18.30-19.30: Virginia final from New York.

take care of himself. The old that of Pears; he will be a key the lineout. Clubs give Argentina need to regroup forces

THERE will be considerable championship side, earned only debate in Bucnos Aires when the three victories, including one debate in Buenos Aires when the Argentine Rugby Union (UAR) meets to discuss the events of the tour of Britain and Ireland which ended last week. The core of the argument is likely to be those Argentinians now playing in Italy, whose suspension from domestic rugby robbed the Pumas of so much talent and experience.

Before the touring side left England yesterday, with a record of three wins and five defeats (including all three inter-nationals). Hugo Porta, their captain, expressed the bope that the UAR would reconsider the domestie ban imposed on such players as Dengra, Turnes, Go-mez and Dominguez. "At one stage of the tour there were ten officials with us who must have seen how things are in Europe,

"We cannot act in isolation and what we do must be positive for the game of rugby. It is not positive for players to be beaten by 50 points in the internationals." Porta bopes he will be allowed to make a report to

be allowed to make a report to the union, whose annual meet-ing on December 19 will decide the officials for next year — World Cup year — and, sub-sequently, the coaching staff. Any judgement of Porta's Pumas must be made in the light of their unavailable players — 20 are playing first division elub-nishy in Italy others were unfit. rughy in Italy, others were unfit or had husiness commitments. while still more were excluded by prior association with the former coach, Rodolfo O'Reilly.

One need look no further than England to measure the effect of absenteeism - the summer tour

reward.
TOUR RESULTS: Lost to Ireland S 12-27; best frish Students 23-5; lost to Ireland 18-20; best Eastern Counties 23-15; lost to England 0-51; best 5 South of Scotland 13-10; test to Scotland 3-49; best to Berbarlans 22-34. Played 8, wor 3, ket 5, points tor 119, against 212.
SCORERE: H Vidou 33 pts. (2 tries, 2 cons, 7 point; 5 Meson 23 (1 try, 2 cons, 5 pens); N Portz 22 (2 cons, 6 pens); L Arbizu 9 (3 drops); M Allen, O Cuesta Siva. 8 (2 tries; G Jorge, A Macome, A Scotla 4 (1 try); pensity try. to Argentina, made without seven of the five nations' Captain of Oxford is fit

defeat against Wasps because of a knee injury. He is joined in the pack by Hiyashi, the Japanese prop, and Taylor, the former Loughborough Students

However, the university will be without the American wing. Gary Hein, the Oxford try-scorer at Twickenham last December. Hein is with the US

MARK Egan returns to lead Eagles squad preparing for the Oxford University in the annual Dubai sevens next week match against Major R. V. Stanley's XV at Iffley Road today. The No. 8 missed last week's half which, in the absence of Brian Smith, is proving a diffi-cult position to fill,

Durand will be opposed by Huw Davies (Wasps), whose form is still good enough to win him a place among the London replacements for the divisional championship next month. His pairing with Saunders, the London Irish scrum balf, should prove an entertaining one.

BRIDGE **Favourites** beaten in final trial

By ALBERT DORMER

ENGLAND'S hopes of gaining supremacy in the home international series were boosted when Graham Kirby and John Armstrong, with Brian Callaghan and Roh Cliffe, won the final team trial at the Young Chelsea Club. Their score of 104 9 sectors reports ensures that 104.9 victory points ensures that they will be picked for at least one match, probably against Scotland, who are England's

strongest opponents.
Close up with 102.5 vps came
Alan Mould's squad (H Melbourne, P Bowyer and J Helme).
Their bright showing included rouncing the strong pre-tour-nament favourites. Tony Fortester and Andrew Robson, Sally Horton and Steve Lodge, who finished a distant third. The Camrose Trophy inter-national series was launched by Lord Camrose in 1936 but proved to be virtually a one-

horse race until a visiting Eng-lish formation was ambushed in Scotland in 1964. Inevitability of outcome has never since been fully restored.

The long trials series just ended has been notable for the stamina and consistency of the winners, all of whom combine

match play at weekends with responsible jobs. In Birmingham n mercunal performance saw the English Bridge Uoion's senior pairs championship for the Saga Tro-phy go to two players who after the first session languished in 35th place among the 39 finalist In the second session they

third maintained the mo-mentum to finish as the mentum to timers.

RESULTS: 1, H Greenberg and S J Prince (Essect: 2, J Schaff and Mrg B Lankester (Essect: 3, K Ford and J Morrey (Lacs); 4, J Street and Mrs G Mollart (Surrey); 5, J Lewis and M Molfer (Staffs); 6, R Davies and S Claridge (Derby & Oxon).

climbed up to twelfth and in the

NETBALL

Ego trip follows bad ego tour Australia in the summer and

IF REVENGE proved beyond them, at least England's credibility was restored in Gateshead last weekend. In were very low when we came back," she said. "This match showed we had picked ourselves losing the first of three matches against the Australians by 40-48, they repaired egos that had been badly dented following unmitigated defeat in Australia last up. We gave a good, tough performance." Liz Nicholl, the chief exec-Association (AENA), was delighted at the outcome, which should prove effective in further promoting the sport in England.
"It was a terrific performance, a marvellous advertisement," she

gated defeat in Australia last
summer.
A capacity crowd of 1,500
could scarcely believe that
Australia were incapable of
more than a four-goal lead ontit
the fourth and final quarter last
Saturday. England even managed to take the lead, a rare feat
in 30 years of playing Australia in 30 years of playing Australia.
There was an air of mevitability, however, about England's capitulation. Not that Betty

Galsworthy, the coach, was about to let a an anti-climactic end to an inspired performance get her down.
"We had a very rough time in

First round Oxford v Bristol City West Brom v Barnsk Second round

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side deprived of arguably its best players in Jesslyn Parkes and Kendra Lowe, who are

BASS NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: CElteros y GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: tee Philips Cap: (7.45): Wellington v Elmore; Ottary St Mary v Salush Utd.

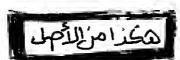
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SPORTS PERSONALITY AWARDS: ITV 22.40-23.40: The Panasonic Trophy. TENNIN BOWLING: Screensport 14.00-16.00: Women's pro-tour. TRAKE WORLD SPORT: Eurosport 19.00-



Tradition wins the day as the four-ball format is retained after the players protest

British pair inspire togetherness in golf's Olympics

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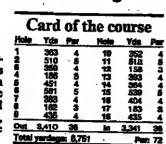
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A PROTEST by Sam Torrance and Ian Woosnam has forced officials to abandon plans to speed up play in the World Cup of Golf, sponsored by Kraft General Foods, which starts here today on the Grand Current course. Grand Cypress course.

The International Golf Association, organiser of an event promoted by the Parallel Media Group, surprised contestants by announcing that the usual four-ball format was being deserted and replaced by two-ball play, necessitating team colleagues to be senarated.

Torrance and Woosnam immediately vented their disgust and Payne Stewart, the former United States PGA champion, grasped the nettle by organising a petition opposing the IGA's decision to rewrite the playing

Burch Riber, the executive director of the IGA, said: "The petition was supported by a large majority of the 64 play-ers here and, with such a groundswell of disagreement among the players, we considered it right to revert to traditional four-ball play in spite of criticism that we were caving in. In the past, and in the future, the World Cup of Golf has been, and will be, for the players, bringing them together under an umbrella of goodwill, and the IGA will always cater for the need of the



players." It seems strange that the IGA did not canvass player opinion regarding the change, although it would appear that it was placed in an uneviable position, as many contestants in the past had expressed concern that rounds were

taking five-and-a-half hours or

Yet Torrance, whose part-ner in the Scotland team this week is Gordon Brand Jr, believes there is no need to be concerned by "marathon" rounds. "This is a team tournament, so if that is the case, why consider separating us? he said. "Everyone expects a five-and-a half-bour round."

Woosnam, who guided Wales to a wonderful win in 1987, also stood against the change. "If I had not played alongside Mark Mouland, it would have defeated the object of the world have defeated the object of the world have defeated the object." ject of the event," he said. The support which Stewart's petition received provided ample evidence of team members wanting to be alongside each other on the fairways, although allowing players to dictate terms could

Whether the decision to change the format was right or wrong is one thing, but having taken a decision to do so, the IGA might have been wiser to stick to its guns. The experi-ment could have taken place with a post-mortem to determine whether or not it was

On the other hand, players who signed the petition cannot criticise the speed of play, however slow it might become, over the next four days.

David Feherty, who has not before played in the World Cup, shared with Ronan Rafferty, with whom he plays for Ireland, the opinion that it might have been advantageous to be separated. "I think it can be constant and the contract of the c to play with your partner," he said. "It is surely best to get on with it and play your own

event. My goal is to play in the Ryder Cup, which is the high temple of pressure. I obviously enjoyed the experience of leading Ireland to victory in the Dunhill Cup but I believe there to be a picke for their there to be a niche for that event and the World Cup."

event and the World Cup."

The World Cup of Golf has for several years been treading water, although the "Olympics of Golf", as it was christened by John Jay Hopkins, the founder, would appear to be firmly back on terra firma again with Heineker and Delta Air Lines linking with Kraft General linking with Kraft General Foods to provide a prize fund



Putting the case for an undivided team: Torrance does not favour the two-ball game

SNOOKER

FOOTBALL

Arsenal decide to give up their right of appeal

ARSENAL have decided not to repair severely damaged knee appeal against the Football ligaments. League points and fine of ham's England Under-21 inter-£50,000, imposed for their play-ers' part in the Old Trafford brawl with Manchester United. Clubs can agree a fee. Brian

The Manchester club, which was also fined £50,000 and had one point deducted, is due to decide today whether it will be lodging an appeal, which has to be submitted within 14 days of the bearing.

A statement from Figure 7 said: "The directors have unant-mously agreed that they will not be lodging an appeal against the recent decision of the Football Association regarding the incident at Old Traiford and therefore the matter is at an experience that the matter is at a supplication of the football and the su therefore the matter is at an

 Bobby Gould is likely to join Queen's Park Rangers when his contract as Wimbledon man-ager expires next mooth and link again with Don Howe, coach to the west London elub. They were together at Plough Lane as manager and coach and led Wimbledon to FA Cup final victory over Liverpool in 1988. victory over Liverpool in 1988.
Clive Berlin, the QPR managing director, said Gould would work with Howe in an undefined staff

Paul Lake, Manchester City's England Under-21 international defender, is unlikely to play again this season after under-

Association's deduction of two Vinny Samways, Totten-

clubs can agree a fee. Brian Clough, the Forest manager, has already tabled an older of £750,000 for the midfield player, aged 22. But Tottenham want twice that amount. A statement from Highbury

Tataw, to the Goldstone Ground for a trial. Tataw has oow returned home after trainoow returned nome after training with Queen's Park Rangers.

The Wimbledon forward, John Gayle, yesterday completed his £175,000 move to his home town club Birmingham City, after talks with the man-ager, Dave Mackay.

 A chance to test their defence against Luther Bussett and his Bournemouth colleagues awaits first round replay between Hayes and Cardiff City (Louise

Taylor writes).

The Vauxhall League side entertain Cardiff at Brentford this evening, knowing that success would guarantee them a December date with a Bournemouth team, relegated from the second division only last spring. The Welshmen are harmered by the absence of Chris Pike, their leading scorer with eleven goals

Officials questioned

PARIS (Reuter) — Police have questioned players and officials from the Marseille and Bordeaux football elubs concerning suspected irregularities with transfers from Toulon, Jean-Pierre Bernes, the Marseilles general secretary, and Alain Laroche, the club's financial director were held after files on transfers were seized. The general manager of Bordeaux, Didier Couecou, was also held.

Four Toulon officials were charged with fraud and embezziement last month after police discovered a network of companies set up to channe false payments to players.

Judge Jean-Pierre Zanoto, in charge of the Toulon inquiry, said their questioning was not connected with the Toulon case. and police said the Bordeaux investigations were strictly re-lated to that cluh's finances.

YACHTING

Prizes for

rulers of

the waves

PENNY WAY, Britain's top

PENNY WAY, Britain's top boardsailor, Robin Knox-Johnstoo, the round-the-world yachtsman, and Sir Owen Aisher, the "Grand Old Mao of yachting" were the principal prize-winners at the Silk Cut nautical awards presented in Londoo yesterday for outstanding endeavour during the past season (Barry Pickthall writes).

Tracy Edwards's Whithread Round the World Race yacht, Maiden, was selected yacht of the year. Way was named

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ing her victory last mooth in the world championship off Buenos

given the seamanship award

following his traumatic solo voyage, retracing the route of Christopher Columbus, OTHER SILK CUT AWARDS: Individual rescue award: Yony Hoog Club. Service award: Commander R Blythe OSE, Royal Yorkshire YC. Pleasure craft design award: Westerly Tychoon. Smell boat award: Henshaw inflatables. Non-electrical equipment design award: Potta anchor. Electrical equipment design award: Nautech Sea Talk system. Technical innovation swent: Julian Everitt and his yacht. Wave Train.

IN BRIEF

Scots pair

Aires. Knox-Johostoo.

mswoman of the year follo

ATHLETICS

seems on the surface

By DAVID POWELL ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT THE Don Valley Stadium track io Sheffield, praised by some of the world's leading athletes when it was opened two months ago, falls short of the standard demanded by Sheffield for Health Ltd, the company which operates the track, it has been discovered. Some sections of the discovered. Some sections of the track, part of a £28 million are too thin and need

ien the stadium hosted the McVitie's Challenge, oo September 16. it drew wide-spread applause. "I like the spread appeause. I like the track . . . it is possible for a world record here," Said Aounta said. "This track has potential . . . it is quick," Linford Christie said. "The track is fast,"

Yvonne Murray said.
However, Sheffield City
Council, which provides financial aid to Sheffield for Health Ltd, said yesterday that it did not meet the specifications agreed. The depth should have then 13 millimetres but our technical people have discov-ered that it is averaging about eight," John Taylor, the senior assistant director of the coun-cil's recreation department,

aid.
The World Student Games which have faced a multitude of problems, are to be held in Sheffield in July. "The main concern of the people involved in this discovery was the Games, but there is nothing to threaten them," Taylor added.
"We have a AAA certificate which does not expire until December 31, 1991." An International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) spokesman said yesterday that the track would be acceptable for records.

BOXING

Not how it | Mason wants Lonsdale belt |

MOTOR RACING

McLaren move on test track plan

either already owns or is to acquire 150 acres of adjacent

land, giving ample scope for extension and remodelling.

The aim is to do so in a manner which will, through the

establishment of a high technology company at the circuit,

provide jobs and assist the local councils in their efforts to attract

new industries to east Kent. Ferrari, until now the only

Formula One team to own its

Formula One team to own its own test track and adjacent research establishment, has gained tremendous benefit from its facility at Fforano, in Italy, at a time when the increasing sophistication of grand prix cars means that a leading team needs

BRITAIN'S leading heavy-weights, Gary Mason, the Brit-ish champion, and Lennox Lewis, the European title-holder, are oo collisioo course even if it means one of them will suffer a serious setback to his chances of making a millioo in a

chances of making a millioo in a world title bout.

The British Boxing Board of Control has ordered Mason to defend his title against Lewis before March and the British fights he will get stopped early, champion has welcomed the chance to keep busy and relieve Lewis of his European belt.

Lewis will be Mason's second opponent after his return to the might make "what in military with the most second of the make "what in military make "when I stopped Tyrell Biggs quicker than Tyson could stop him, Whether Lewis runs or before make "when I stopped Tyrell Biggs quicker than Tyson could stop him, Whether Lewis runs or before make "when I stopped Tyrell Biggs quicker than Tyson could stop him, Whether Lewis runs or before make "when I stopped Tyrell Biggs quicker than Tyson could stop him, Whether Lewis runs or before make "when I stopped Tyrell Biggs quicker than Tyson could stop him, Whether Lewis runs or before make "when I stopped Tyrell Biggs quicker than Tyson could stop him, Whether Lewis runs or before make "whether Lewis him the military whether lewis him chemo his the against Lewis him, whether Lewis runs of fights he will get stopped early. Lemox Lewis of his European belt.

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Lewis will be Mason's second opponent after his return to the ring oo December 12 after an absence of severa months. absence of seven months withdrawal," Mason disagreed. "Lewis has got too much betached retina. Mason's first opponent will be James Pritch-said. "Tell Lennox Lewis oot to

opponent will be James Principard an American. Mason's manager, Mickey Duff, would have preferred another contest before taking ou Lewis, but Mason believes he will be ready for the young Olympic champion.

RON Dennis, the managing director of the TAG/McLaren

Group, has announced plans for an advanced research facility

One ream and other automotive

interests (John Blunsden writes). Dennis is embarking on a joint venture with Tom Bissett, the owner of the Lydden

circuit, to redevelop the Kent track into the most sophis-

ticated facility of its kind in

Europe.
Although the present track, which is best known for its promotion of rallycross events, is only one mile in length, the

company formed by Dennis and Bissett, Lydden Circuit Ltd,

Speaking on a telephone link from his training camp in Florida, Mason said he was looking forward to the bout as

The British champion, who had blown up to nearly 19st during his period of inactivity, said he would be under 17st for Pritchard. He blamed his earlier failures to reduce weight, even at health farms, on his state of mind. But under his new manager Duff wed with a bearen to he wanted to win the Lonsdale Belt. "I don't want to look backwards but I want to win the Lonsdale Belt," he said. itored in America and he running twice a day.

make a mistake with the Italian. Remember what happened to Derek Williams." Mason was referring to Williams' defeat in a European title bout against Jean might slip him in b Chanct, of France. Lewis has a ing against Tyson.

European defence on December 5 against Cesare di Benetto, of

ager, Duff, and with a licence to box oo after his retina operation, he felt like a new man. His diet has been carefully mon-

beyond Lewis to a world title bout with Evander Holyfield, the world champion. "I've al ways wanted the world title and I'm hoping that after George
Foreman it could very well be
me," he said. Mason thinks that
after beating Foreman Holyfield
might slip him in before defend-

to be circuit tested virtually every week of the year.

The venture, which will also help the development of McLaren's road-going super car, will not mean the end of motor sport at Lydden. "Lydden needs to change and develop if it is to fulfill it areal averaging." Biggett

fulfil its real potential," Bissett said, "and if it is to meet the

environmental standards that

both ourselves and the local community would like to see."

A private test and dev-elopment facility has been part

of Dennis's strategic plan for McLaren for several years, and

at one time he had hoped to secure Blackbushe Airport in

Surrey for such a venture.

Sky seek face-saver

By STEVE ACTESON

BARRY Hearn, the promoter of the endangered £1 million Sky World Masters, and David Hill, executive producer of Sky Television's Eurosport channel, will tomorrow attempt to formulate a face-saving solution to ensure the event goes ahead in January It would be dreadfully sad if it

did oot, encompassing as it does a vivacious blend of men's and mixed doubles, a junior event, 110 hows of televisoo and considerable prize-money. The problem, however, is Alex Higgins. The Irishman is suspended all season from

events sanctioned by the World Professional Billiards and Spooker Association (WPBSA) The Masters is not so sanctioned and Sky and Hearn invited Higgins, provoking a boycott by 16 players including the world champion, Stephen Hendry.

detracting from Hearn's promo-tion, the StormSeal United Kingdom championship in Preston. Alan McManus and Jon Birch, two first-season professionals, created a mighty stir on Monday night by accounting for two of the top 16 seeds. Birch, the 1989 world amateur championship runner-up, de-feated Dean Reynolds, ranked eighth, 9-7.

REBULTS: Yesterday: Fourth round: W
Thome (Eng) leads C Roscoe (Wales), 7-1;
S James (Eng) leads A Knowles (Eng), 5-8;
S Hendy (Scot) leads A Knowles (Eng), 5-8;
S-3; W Jones (Wales) leads M Hallett (Eng)
5-3; O Mountjoy (Wales) and G Wildinson (England), leavel at 4-4; O Fowler (Eng) leads R Robidoux (Cen) 5-3.

VOLLEYBALL

Hearn and English and Scots go separate ways By RODDY MACKENZIE

ENGLAND and Scotland have successive title, suprisingly been forced to send separate teams to the European men's

championships oext summer as the oew Great Britaio men's squad are oot affiliated to the European Coofederatioo (CEV). European Coofederation (CEV).

While England's qualifying tournament will take place from June 5-9 against Spain, Poland, Yugostavia, Turkey and San Marinn, Scotland face a formidable draw for their return for the first time since 1971. The Scots will play in the qualifying event in Povazska Bystrica, Czechoslovakia, from May 6-12 against, among others, the Soviet Union, the 11-times

European champions.

dropped a set, only their third this season, before winning 15-7, 15-5, 8-15, 15-7. Their elosest challengers, Speedwell Rucanor, lost at home to Polonia 12-15, 7-15, 8-15 and are now four poiots Woolwich Brixtoo Knights. who had Chris Hazell back for their 15-3, 15-12, 15-9 win over

on top of the women's first division and their match with 15 looks increasingly significant. Neither side has lost so far and Britannia only conceded 15 points in total during their 15-10, 15-3, 15-2 win at Scorpions

European etampions.

Meanwhile, Team Mizuno
Malory stretched their advantage at the top of the men's first
division of the Royal Bank
English League in spite of a
suhstandard performance
against Purbrook Portsmouth,
the bottom club.

The London club, oow firm
favourites for their fourth

10, 15-3, 15-2 win at Scorpions
on Suoday.

Men: First division: Team Mizuno Malory
April Montands 3, Hillion Leads 0; Spachwell
division: Southgate 0, Sov Leasing 24, 24 Montands 2;
Portsmouth 3, Dynamo London 2: GP
Southgate 3, Lateland 1.

Team trickery exposed

THE £2.500 William Hill Sports
Book of the Year nward was more than 100 titles and tells of won yesterday by Rough Ride, which graphically records the team trickery and drug-taking in cycling events like the Tour de France and was written by Paul Kimmage, a former professional (John Goodbody writes).

The book, by Kimmage, now a journalist on the Sunday Tribune in Dublin, finished

THE £2,500 William Hill Sports Stanley Paul, was selected from

The book, by Kinmage, now a journalist on the Sunday Tribune in Dublin, finished shortlist were John Arlott's marrowly ahead of Ranji. A Basingstoke Boy (Collins Wil-Genius Rich and Strange by Simon Wilde, a member of The and Tim Magde (Simon and

Simon Wilde, a member of The and Tim Magde (Simon and Times sports department and published by Kingswood.

Rough Ride, published by Alex Spillius (Collins Willow),

unbeaten **GRAHAM Robertson and Alex** Marshall, of Scotland, emerged as the only undefeated partner

ship in the Hung Kong Bank international bowls classic pairs after three further rounds yesterday.

yesterday.
They overcame Canada 32-17
in their third round elash yesterday morning, added a 32-13
win in their afternoon match
with a Hong Kong club side,
United Services and then beat
the 1988 winners. Noel Kennedy and Mark MeMahon, of
Hong Kong, 24-15. AMERICAN FOOTBALL:

The Los Angeles Raiders stopped Miami's six-game winning streak by beating the Dolphins 13-10.

GOLF: Nick Faldo and Greg Norman head the entries for the \$870,000 Johnnie Walker Clas-sic tournament in Melbourne on December 6 to 9.

BOXING: Pat Barrett, the European light-wellerweight eham-pion, suspended on Sunday when a 14-day notice to hand back a Central Area bett he wan in 1988 expired, will hand the belt back today.

YACHTING: Five of the 1992 America's Cup skippers and crews will meet in Sydney Harbour in the Twelve Metre Challenge next year starting on

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TENNIS Javer still in favour for Nantes team

MONIQUE Javer, aged 23, the British No. 1, who missed the recent national championships recent hardonal champeour. The California-based Javer has been selected to play for Britain in the European team championships in Nantes, France, from November 29 to December 2.

Jo Durie, the reigning British champion from Bristol, Sara Gomer, of Torquay, and Clare Wood, of Sussex, complete the team announced yesterday by Ann Jones, the LTA women's international director.

Sarah Loosemore, aged 19, from Wales, who was originally selected as the fourth member of the team, is unable to play. She is still suffering from a stomach muscle injury which she first incurred during the Federation Cup io July.

Britain, a finalist last year following impressive victories over Sweden and Italy, has kept the event was established in 1986.

The Soviet Union, the defending champions, include Natalya Zvereva and Larisa Savehenko in their team and are likely to win again. Jones said: "I'm looking for-

ward to the competition. Our girls played extremely well to reach the quarter-finals of the Federation Cup this year and I'm confident that in her present form, Jo Durie will be able to cause the kind of upsets she achieved io Nantes last year." TEAM: M Javer, J Durie, S Gomer, C.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL NATIONAL LEAGUE (IGFL): Los Angele Balders 18, Miemi Dolphins 10. ATHLETICS

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Aliysa loses after 528 days

Stoute, was sensationally dis- because this was not the first qualified yesterday from win-positive camphor test where ning the 1989 Oaks - 528 days no sources had been identified after the running of the Epson and it was highly unsatisfac-classic tory to disqualify on that

Following a record-breaking premise."

The Newmarket-based trainer disclosed that the Aga bedding, as scientists em-ployed by the owner and trainer had argued.

Although rigorous investigations have failed to where the camphor could have come from, the Jockey Club fined Stoute £200, ordered him to pay costs estimated to be around £50,000, and promoted Snow Bride, the original runner-up

in the Oaks, to first place.
The Jockey Club decision is unlikely to signal the end of the Aliysa affair. The Aga Khan is almost certain to challenge the verdict in the High Court if his lawyers

advise him he has a case.

Matthew McCloy, the Aga
Khan's solicitor, last night
described the verdict as unsafe and very unsatisfactory. "We are very disappointed because we were satisfied that the weight of scientific evidence was in our favour, and none of us understand how the disciplinary committee can reach the decision it did in the light

"His Highness the Aga Khan certainly feels strongly about it and he is aware of the decision. I shall be looking through a transcript of the case and if I feel there are the High Court, then I shall advise His Highness to do so. The decision will be his."

Stoute described the decision as a source of great

ALIYSA, owned by the Aga is also a great source of worry Khan and trained by Michael to trainers for the future

disciplinary committee de- Khan had sent his own seccided that the source of 3- urity people from Ireland to hydroxycamphor discovered guard Aliysa round the clock in a post-race urine test on the on the Tuesday, four days horse was camphor, a prohib-before the classic. "We took ited substance, and not borneol, found in feedstuffs or there was no way camphor
bedding, as scientists emcould have been deliberately

The outcome of the enquiry appears to have hinged on the differences between the tests carried out by the Horseracing Forensic Laboratory (HFL) and an advanced method developed by the University of Quebec.

While it was accepted that the Quebec tests could detect 3-hydroxycamphor fram woodshavings, the HFL test used to analyse the Aliysa sample could not, therefore it must have come from camphor "contained in an unknown substance.

These and other findings resulted in considerable scientific dispute between the two parties," the Jockey Club said in a statement last night. "The HFL maintained that the committee should be satisfied that the hydroxycamphor detected in Aliysa had not come from her feed or bedding.

The representatives of the owner and trainer by contrast maintained that the possibil-ity could not satisfactorily be excluded of the finding having resulted from the presence of borneol in woodshavings in use in the stables at Epsom grounds to take the matter to racecourse, and that further work needed to be done to establish a proper scientific basis for the detection of camphor in racehorses."

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Lost classic: Fleshback to June of last year as Aliysa, now disqualified, strides clear of her rivals in the Oaks

Real unlikely to appoint Venables

By CLIVE WHITE

IT COULD happen only at Real Madrid. Last season John Toshack steered the club to victory in the Spanish record number of points and goals and yet was regarded as just another failure. Like those before him in the previous 23 seasons, he had been unable to bestow upon the club the title of European champions, something which the six-time winners have long considered as not so much an ambition as

If Real could have believed that Toshack would deliver them the trophy this season they might have been prepared to live a little longer with their disastrous domestic Leo Beenhakker, the manager

to sixth place in the league at the weekend after a deleat to Toshack's management had reached such a low that the chib dismissed him on Monday without even having a due as to whom they wanted to succeed him.

It is a job which any manager in the world would relish but few, if they were honest, would be optimistic of their chances of success. Like trying to pull the Excalibur from the stone, it is something which any man would attempt but without any real hope of

Few know the pressures that the position entails better than

form which saw them slump of Ajax, who amicably parted to sixth place in the league at the weekend after a defeat to Valencia. But faith in "failure". Beenhakker steered knew just what he wanted to ing about it.

Spoke to John many times of pressure for Real players charge on a full-time basis, however, the had everything very clear. He pean Cup. Everybody's talk-"body and soul" at Real's disposal. Real to three Spanish titles, do. But obviously he was not two Spanish cup victories but able to do all that he wanted,"

The players have a great of the club chooses to make an immediate appointment, it is this country of in the European Cup failed to progress any further than the

conclusion that the team needed to be rebuilt before John's problem. He ran the Real could realise their dream of winning Europe's premier competition. "I talked about it for many bours with the president, Ramón Mendoza. He agreed that it had to be changed but that there were financial problems to doing so. It was clear to me that if we could not change the team there was no point in my

Toshack was permitted to Hagi from Steama Bucharest for £1.7 million and Predrag Spasic from Partizan Belgrade for £1.1 million, like Hagi only last summer. But the old

Beenhakker said. "It is not enough in football

semi-final round in each of his 'to have good players, you have to have a team as well. As I In the end he came to the can see from about 2,000 kilometres distance, this was team along the same lines as he did Real Sociedad but I don't think tactics were the main reason why things started to go wrong.
The strength of Real Ma-

drid was always that it was a real family, a real team. Everyobdy was defending the white shirt with his life. The last month or so they seemed to have lost a little bit of the magic of that way of thinking. make some changes but not They didn't play like a ma-enough. He bought Gheorghe chine, more as individuals. That's always a big problem at

this level.
"As I understand it, Toshack's team had problems of a personal nature and that

of this great club. It's a big dream for players like Michel and Butragueno. I know that we played our normal style in the European matches but when it got closer to the final there was more and more pressure on the players. I always had the idea that they couldn't manage it.

"All that pressure from hundreds of thousands of people from all over Spain, from within the club that we had to win. We had to win. It was becoming an obsession. I think that's why we didn't make it."

Ramon Grosso, a club stalwart, and José Antonio Camacho, the former player, have been placed in tem-porary charge of the team, though it is understood the club would like Alfredo Di Stefano eventually to take charge until the end of the season. Di Stefano, who has

declared his rejuctance to take

outside of the country since managers in Spain are not permitted to change clubs in mid-season. The Spanish press yesterday

was full of speculation about the new appointment. Terry Venables, of Tottenham Hotspur was one of many possibilities put forward. Venables declined to throw his hat into the ring yesterday. "I have an open mind at the moment" was all that he would say. It is unlikely that Real will turn to another Briton to take charge so soon after the demise of Toshack, the Welshman

Williams goes pro John Williams, the Welsh featherweight boxer, has turned professional with Frank Maloney, Williams, aged 20, won 75 of 87 amateur bouts and represented his country at schoolboy and senior level.

Pakistan leave West Indies 10 escape route

From John Woodcock in Karachi

by eight wickets half-an-hour before tea, and so went one up in the three-match series.

Although the West Indians could find nothing good to say about the pitch, the main reason why they lost was because Pakistan were much the better balanced side. Deprived of the bounce which makes them such a formidable fast bowlers took 12 wickets between them in 130.2 overs. Pakistan's two - Wasim Akram and Waqar Ynunis versatility. Conditions varied very little throughout the match, the pitch holding together pretty well, anyway in the parts that mattered.

But it will be a real pity if neither of the remaining Tests is played on a pitch with more zing to it than this one. The nmens, however, are not good. The likeliest way of letting the West Indians back into the series would be to leave the grass on in Faisalabad and Lahore, and Imran Khan is

unlikely to allow that. This was only West Indies' tenth defeat (as against 46 victories) in 89 Test matches since they began to play their full side again after the Packer disruption had ended in 1979. Of these, three were inflicted by Australia in Australia, two by New Zealand in New Zealand, and one each by England (in Jamaica) and India (at Madras). Pakistan are the only side to have held their own with the West Indians over the 11 years, each of them having won three of the 11 matches they have played. That is a reflection on the Pakistani's natural if sometimes prodigal flair for the game.

By throwing open the gates at the National Stadium the Pakistan board prevented yesterday's victory from being achieved within a vacuum. There were perhaps 6,000 copie on the ground to see West Indies make it as hard as they could for Pakistan to win. At no time in the match did Haynes and his side try anything but their hardest; yet in no department were they superior, unless it was in

fielding. - You may find it hard to believe, hut in their last eight Test matches io Pakistan going back, that is, to 1986-87 - West Indies have not once scored as many as 300. They have recorded 11 totals. including the two in this match, between 169 and 297, and one of 53 at Faisalahad where the next Test starts on

Pakistan, for their part, have never lost at Karachi. Until the early 1960s Fazal Mahmood made them virually unbeatable on the mat. and their spinners have usually given them the edge since then. This winter, though,

ONCE West Indies had lost Wasim and Waqar have cartheir three remaining second ried all before them. They innings wickets in 21 balls for took 14 wickets against New the addition of only nine runs in the first Test match here yesterday morning, there was no escape for them. Needing under 13 apiece. West Indian 98 to win Pakistan got home criticism of the pitch would m doubt be more vociferous but for this.

Manas

Straightaway yesterday Waqar was on target. This, at the moment, is arguably his greatest asset. He had Ambrose leg before with the fifth ball of the morning and bowled Bishop behind his legs with the next Before Logic had time to play more than a makes them such a infinidable couple of crisply belligerent proposition, West Indies' four couple of crisply belligerent strokes Wasim, from round the wicket, bowled Walsh. Although no doubt there was some fishy business going nn shared 15 in 84 overs, ba-sically because of their greater against New Zealand, with one half of the ball looking as though a shark had tried it for starters, there has appeared to be nothing of that this time; but Wagar and Wasim still swung the ball.

Ambrose's departure after two overs of Pakistan's second innings to join Greenidge on the invalids' bench made no difference to yesterday's re-sult. West Indies' only glimmer of hope came when play was held up as the result of Marshall, fielding on the long leg boundary, being bombarded with oranges. But it was soon all over, and although Walsh took a couple of wickets Salim Malik came in and played, as in the first innings, with a freedom which nobody else on either side had come anywhere near to

The dogged Shoaib was there at the end, by when, in seven Test innings this winter, he had made 625 runs at an average of 131 and batted for something like 40 hours. If he gets stuck in again in Faisalabad I shall apply to come home. He makes his father, himself one of the legendary stonewallers, look like Ian Botham on the rampage. On the other hand, the weather has yet to get boring. I have been here for nine days without seeing a cloud in the sky - even one the size of a

bottle top.

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M O Marshall b Aloram
C E L Ambrose low Younis
I R Bishop b Younis
C A Walsh b Aloram
Extra (b 10, lb 8, nb 6)

Total 161.

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Malik 1-0-5-0.
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Salim Malik not out 30
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BOWLING: Bishop 7-0-21-0; Ambrose 2-0-4-0; Marshall 5-1-8-0; Walsh 12-2-27-2; Hooper I 1-2-30-0. Umpires: Khizar Heyat and Riazullah Man of the match: Selim Malik.

Lamb reassured, page 42

If you have an itch, don't scratch it. guard of Butragueno, Gordillo started being reflected by re-and many others remained. "I sults on the pitch. There's a lot If you sneeze, let your nose run.

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Palace may stage IAC event again

BRITAIN'S most famous incould be on its way back to London - less than a mouth after its future seemed doomed. The International Athletes' Club meeting, the oldest invitation event on the British calendar, looked certain to be scrapped when it lost its sponsor, TV coverage and grand prix status.

But David Bedford, the IAC chairman and the meeting promoter, revealed yesterday that he was confident of rescuing the event and bringing it back from Edinburgh to its original venue of Crystal

Palace on August 2.

Bedford, the former world 10,000 metres record-holder, said he and other IAC officials hoped to negotiate with their British Board counterparts to help rescue the meeting. He insists his new-found

optimism stems from the support he received from members of the British Board Council, who, at a recent meeting expressed their support for saving the event. Last year only a hastily arranged sponsorship deal with the computer firm,

Compag, enabled the cashstarved event to go ahead in Edinburgh, and Bedford said the future was bleak when Compaq withdrew its backing and the meeting was last month excised from the grand

winning formula

conjecture about changes, Hull at the weekend Malcolm Reilly, the Great Reilly said that M Britain rugby league coach, ory had been included as a yesterday declared his faith in substitute, and would probthe 13 men who won so ably get on at some stage, stirringly at Wembley and partly because of his powers of were beaten in the dying seconds at Old Trafford. However, the Warrington as skipper of the successful and former Great Britain captour of Papua New Guinea

brought into the four substitute places alongside David Hulme, of Widnes, and Roy Powell, nf Leeds. Reilly said: "The manage-

ment team have pondered a long time over the various options open to us, but I have decided in keep the players who performed so well in victory at Wembley and in defeat at Old Trafford. Their commitment and dedication could not be faulted on either

Reilly's decision means that there are no places for Joe Lydon, of Wigan, and the St Helens goalkicker, Paul Loughlin, although Loughlin is a travelling reserve with Kevin Ward, of Castleford. It had been anticipated that

DESPITE all the rumnurs and kicked four good goals for Reilly said that Mike Gregleadership, which he showed when he deputised for Hanley

tain, Mike Gregory, and Jona- and New Zealand. Davies had than Davies, of Widnes, are been included to "give extra kicking options and to give a variety of possibilities in the back division". The Great Britain coach admitted that there were "one or two niggling injuries", but he expected the Widnes wing,

> full recovery from his knee The vice-captain, Garry Schofield, said: "This is the most important game any of us have played in during our careers. We will give 100 per cent on Saturday and if we lose we will do it with our heads held high".

Schofield added that Elias

Martin Offiah, to have made a

and Lyons, who did most damage at Old Trafford, "would not be given the same amount of room this time". Since over 200 copies of the inad been anticipated that either Lydon or Loughlin would replace the Hull wing. Paul Eastwood, as goalkicker. However, Reilly retains Eastwood because "he had outstanding games in both internationals, his all-round play is excellent, and he amount of room this time."

GREAT BRITARY TELLES & Hampson (Hugh, P. Eastwood (Hugh, I. Powers, Leode), E. Hampson (Hugh, A. Pint (Wigart, Capital), Schooland (Leode), A. Britany, P. Chain (Leode), E. Hampson (Hugh, A. Pint (Wigart, Capital), Schooland, Telles, Leode), J. Telles, L. Te report went out to the clubs, after district G (West Wales) demanded in July that they should, it would have been a surprise if the confidential

Reilly pins faith in Welsh to consider further action on unsavoury affair

By DAVID HANDS, BUGBY CORRESPONDENT

African Rugby Board's cen- fidentiality had been broken." tenary continues in plague the The report of the four-man Wetsh Rugby Union (WRU), at the behest of its nwn clubs. inquiry, headed by Vernon Pugh QC, said that Thorburn, Copies of the confidential npon a second contact with WRU report on the unsavoury details of the affair, opportunity to tour in a opportunity to tour in a positive fashion ... He became the nominated players' circulated to the clubs, at their request, have implicated Paul Thorburn, Wales's captain, as representative and was a vital one of the prime elements in part of the SARB machinery for ensuring the attendance of the large Welsh contingent. drawing together ten Welshmen to join the international touring party in South Africa

"Mr Thorburn knew full well what it was that per-The WRU, more like a suaded the players to accept weary bull than an irate their invitations. As with the dragon, said in a statement other players he did not yesterday it would "take acprovide us with any assistance count of the response of all its as to that aspect of the member clubs at district meetmatter." The report did not ings before deciding whether find, that players received any further action is required. money or remuneration for It recognises the fact that a touring but does not rule out proportion of its clubs believe the possibility and claims to the issue requires further have evidence that early this consideration, but equally acyear two Weish players tried cepts that a proportion of its to transfer money to the clubs believes the matter to be United Kingdom from bank nne of the past and wishes accounts held for them in rather to concentrate upon Luxembourg. present issues to ensure the successful future of Welsh

Thorburn said: "We were asked to say what happened and we said what happened. The facts weren't changed and that's that. Each of the players was entitled to change his mind about the tour, which is what I did when the team linefindings had not been promul-gated, though the WRU ex-pressed its "disappointment up improved. I don't know

THE affair of the South that those bonds of con- anything about supposed inconsistencies in what we told the committee.

Gwilym Treharne, the president of the WRU, was also described as a contact" in the affair.

Clubs in the various Welsh districts are meeting this week to study the report and further action rests with them. Clearly the WRU hopes that there will not be a demand for a special meeting so that the whole "sordid and devious" business, as Ken Harris, the former union treasurer, described it, is raked over again to further harm the game's image inside and outside Wales.

"We are unable to advise the union that the evidence makes us sure that none of the players received remuneration," the report says, which might legitimately raise doubts in England, four of whose players toured South Africa. However Dodley Wood, the Rugby Football Union secretary, described the affair as "history" yesterday and said nothing would be gained by interviewing for a third time players who had already given categorical assurances on the subject of

North's challenge, page 44

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